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1987 — TOPS!

BY KEITH GILMOUR

LEADING officials have given an enthusiastic thumbs up to 1987's potential for top Soccer.

Their optimism follows hard on the signing of the four year \$3 million West End NSL sponsorship.

League manager Peter Russell, who this year joined the organisation to back up executive director Stefan Kamasz, said: "The draft draw has been completed and only needs the finishing touches.

"We are confident that Nanda will take up its option to sponsor the Cup.

"The League season will open on April 5. Before then we will be vetting all grounds to see that proper standards are met."

Clubs will be credited for work put into ground improvements, but sub-standard facilities will be ruled unacceptable.

The South Pacific Cup, featuring Adelaide City and Sydney City with New Zealand's North Shore and Mt Wellington, will be played in March.

The NSW National League club are expected to play in the pre-season Cup.

STATE LEAGUE

Turning to the NSW State League, the NSW Executive has unearthed some outstanding prospects for major sponsorships.

President John Constantine said: "We are planning to appoint an Executive Officer, who will have oversight of the State League.

"Other leagues will be controlled by a competition secretary, along the lines established by the Amateur Associations."

Newcastle has entered the NSW State League, and an undertaking is held from the ACT Federation that a club from the national capital will be on the job also.

On the national scene it is likely that a strong USSR outfit will visit during the season.

OH LORD, IT'S HARD TO BE HUMBLE



BUT I'M DOING THE BEST THAT I CAN!

OUR photographer caught an abashed GRAHAM ARNOLD of Sydney Croatia at the very split second when it was announced that he was voted the NSL-ASPA PLAYER OF THE YEAR. Then he wowed the audience with a great acceptance speech. Arnold is in the Socceroo party for the matches in China. After that Croatia coach Vedran Rozic has arranged for him to go to France. Will he stay, or will he be back for the 1987 Australian season? Ready to applaud his win is St George's ex-International goalkeeper and ASW columnist TERRY GREEDY. Photo MODERN STUDIOS.

BROWN FLIES IN TO JOIN EAGLES

FORMER Manchester United youngster Greg Brown is set to rip in the goals for Melita Eagles in the 1987 NSW State League.

Brown was in Sydney at the weekend to meet the club, before returning to New Zealand to wind up his affairs.

Melita coach Denis Hoggart's New Zealand contacts enabled him to secure Brown's services.

Last season he collected 17 valuable goals for Wellington club Miramar in the Kiwi National League.

BY KEITH GILMOUR

He made three appearances against the touring Russian team in February.

Yesterday Brown said: "My ambition is to play at the highest standard that I can.

"Already Dennis Hoggart and Jim Gallagher and the players



GREG BROWN

have given me a high impression of the possibilities of the club.

"My own style of play is going up the wing and I like to run at players."

Well, that sounds like the type of player who will fit into the Melita machine hand and glove.

Maltese international Ray Farrugia, now nine years in Australia, has been voted Melita's Player of the Year.

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SLATER LOOKS AHEAD TO 1987

ROBBIE SLATER'S projected move in the direction of Sydney Croatia points to another very interesting period in his football career.

BY KEITH GILMOUR

THIS year in Australian Soccer Federation circles followers of the game have noted a relative downturn in the scale of operations.

Some of this has been due to a World Cup year in which Australia did not participate but the problem appears to go deeper than that.

For a while there were stirrings on the senior management scene which were designed to reflect the need for change.

The president's role was to be converted into more of an advisory situation, with new blood being introduced to a position created as chairman, who would handle day to day supervision of the Federation's operations.

Naturally there must always be proper oversight of staff to achieve maximum results. A change structure of some kind could aid the development of the game.

The need for activity is becoming urgent as Soccer cannot afford the possibility of having to some degree a lame duck administration at this vital development stage.

The financial strength of the organisation must be rebuilt by proper promotion.

In addition new faces could be needed to concentrate on forging better relationships with both Asia and South America in particular.

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One of the very dynamic features to flow from the National Soccer League's West End deal is the emphasis to be placed on TV commercials.

It has been quite apparent for sometime that Soccer cannot go anywhere without proper advertising exposure on major commercial television.

To say that is no reflection on the vastly improved SBS-TV cover, which will become ABC TV 1 in the new year, and on the valuable print media.

It had long since been proved by the excellent Newcastle — NBN3 TV arrangements that pitchforked the club into being the third biggest crowd puller of any code in NSW. The Swans Australian rules is yet another example.

The newly altered League covers three cities only. Clubs are grounded on a single ethnic basis alone and, in spite of any changes that promotion brings, the game cannot increase markedly in the long term unless it appeals to the general public which in fact consists of so many ethnic groupings.

It is hardly necessary to point out that only the Greeks and the Croatia have major followings in Sydney.

League circles have confirmed that no great attendance increases can be anticipated in Australia's major metropolises in the medium term.

Melbourne is to be congratulated on some improvement in its crowds, but Sydney remains light years ahead in its appeal to the wider populace as a whole.

For this reason there will in time have to be different solutions to the present one and they must include Newcastle, Brisbane, Wollongong and Canberra.

In 1987 it will suit the NSL and South Australian Brewing Co to concentrate on TV spots in Melbourne, Sydney and Adelaide. Funding presumably would not permit wider cover.

But let no one kid themselves over the wider spread that the code must have in future.

The big improvement from the West End deal is their expertise, which has been gained from their close operation with other Australian sports.

We expect to see very worthwhile improvements from the linking of interests in 1987.

Coach Vedran Rozic said: "We know that he hasn't been scoring regularly, but there isn't any doubt about his potential."

With Zeljko Jurin back in Yugoslavia and Manis Lamond in Brazil, there is no absolute certainty in their respective positions.

Slater was picked out of the obscurity of the Auburn third team by physiotherapist Charlie Jurisic and referred on to St George coach Frank Arok.

It did not take long for him to make the first team and he learnt a lot

from that master striker, Dez Marton.

Slater partnered Marton with St George to the Top Four play-offs in 1982 and when they won the 1983 National League championships.

Whilst he admits that it was Marton who taught him so much — and could help many other players through to stardom as well — Slater believes that he was privileged to take the field with many other St George greats of recent years.

"It was really fantastic to appear with players such as David Ratcliffe and Terry Greedy.

"They could make it all happen and I learnt a tremendous amount from them.

"We had two mediocre years, but St George is a great club and it is rising again," he affirmed.

Slater arrived in Australia from England as an 18 month old baby in arms and so he has the right to an English work permit.

With that advantage behind him he had a period with Nottingham Forest reserves and was a prolific scorer in the reserve team.

But the episode ended up with some top experience rather than with a contract to play under

the outspoken Brian Clough.

Although Notts Forest was his chosen club to join, he confesses that it was Liverpool's success in the English League and the FA Cup that really cheered him. After all, he is a Liverpool boy by birth.

Last season saw Slater collecting an outstanding contract with Blacktown City.

Although signed for two years with the Demons paying a \$15,000 transfer fee, he wanted out when the club did not make the 1987 14 team league.

He began 1986 with a damaged ankle. He kept playing as the chipped

bone floated around and he put on some great displays.

Slater is at his very best when he runs at defences. The defender who can close him down is a very slick player indeed.

Those crosses that he delivers are the most inviting possible for team-mates who get on the end of them.

Perhaps the lack of goals did not greatly surprise him. After all, at one stage at St George he went 13 weeks without finding the net.

But Rozic will be expecting better than that.

Even if the initial results don't bring a deluge, Robbie Slater is not 22 until later this month.

He has the ability to reach the top.

SOCCER COULD USE PARRAMATTA STADIUM

A Parramatta Advertiser reporter came out with this story. Whether it merits a reply is questionable, but perhaps a few points are worth recording.

Rugby League — the bash and barge game, should be banned from Parramatta Stadium.

That would then make this excellent facil-

ity available to Soccer, which could then stage a major NSL game there each week.

At times the trouble with many rugby league

followers is that they are allowed to get away with murder in their behaviour at various matches.

Unfortunately much of the media prefers to ignore any poor standards of conduct, in va-

rious sports but when some Soccer fans show their excitement and invade a field to celebrate they make a big mouth over it.

Soccer fortunately is the only football, and it is built on a fine blend of

skill and physical contact which avoids the need for the boxer type mentality.

The Advertiser writer ends his piece with "Get the mugs off and keep 'em off!"

Soccer agrees, and on this basis should be ready to take over the ground in their place.

Let's ban soccer dills!

SOCCER... the game itself is okay, I suppose, if you don't mind a boring diet of scoreless draws and the phenomenal lack of skill which characterises the Australian version of the code.

The thing which really gets up my schnozz about soccer is the crassness and unrivalled stupidity of the fans.

When the SCG Trust allowed a flock of these soccer dills into our beautiful stadium last week, I had a premonition it would be an awful mistake and that's exactly what it was.

From the loutish behavior of soccer fans the world over, it seems

there is some kind of plague or disease which afflicts all who choose this odd brand of masochistic time-wasting.

It is obvious they feel obliged to make up for the lack of physical contact on the field by supplying as much blood and guts as possible around the grandstands.

The most important quality needed to become a soccer supporter is a low IQ.

Scientists in Britain are even now deeply immersed in research to discover why more apes don't follow the game.

Rugby league fans, particularly the loyal variety found in the suburbs around Parramatta, have long had an undeserved reputation for being ratbags.

But their behavior is positively angelic next to the neanderthal antics of the soccer goons.

Parramatta fans have shown their respect for their new stadium by staying off the playing surface after matches, and they laughed at the pathetic over-reaction to a ruckus at Belmore Sports Ground when the hordes of security men outnumbered the dancing girls.

But the moment you let these ugly soccer dops into a decent ground, they go berserk and even the ring of cops around the fence couldn't keep them off the pitch.

The SCG Trust should forget the idea of staging heaps of soccer matches at our stadium next year. Get the mugs off and keep 'em off!

THE NATIONAL ASPA WINNERS

WHAT A NIGHT. The national league-ASPA awards at the plush Regent Hotel last Monday week will go down as one of the best presentations Soccer has been involved with.

Stefan Kamasz, the executive director of the league, and the SBS television team really came up with the goods

for a glittering night of entertainment and awards.

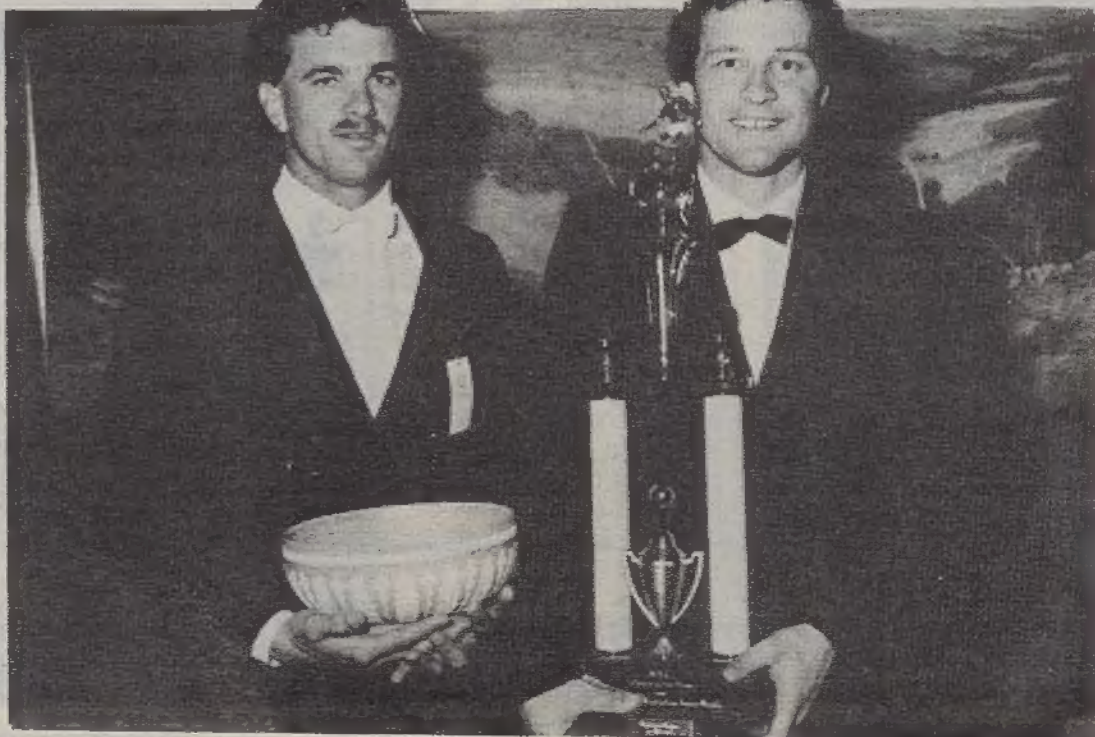
But, obviously, the highlights were the various awards.

And, probably the most deserving of these went to Socceroo and Sydney Croatia striker Graham Arnold (pictured left below with his Croatia coach Vedran Rozic, who was named ASW's coach-of-the-year), who took out the Wedgwood Bowl as player-of-the-year.

Footscray's talented Ernie Tapai (far right) was named under 21 player-of-the-year and SBS's most entertaining player.

Other award winners included: Don Campbell, who was named referee-of-the-year, Paul Trimboli (AIS) who was Nth Div Youth player of the year.

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SOCEROOS TAKE OUT THE TRANS TASMAN CUP

ALTHOUGH Australia got home on the back of a fortuitous Andrew Zinni goal their 2-1 win over New Zealand and subsequent 3-2 aggregate win in the Winfield Trans-Tasman Cup was more than deserved.



Explosive ... Chris Kalantzis (right) takes on New Zealand fullback Richard Mulligan.

The Australians took the first half by the scruff of the neck and were led up front in

BY FRANK COLETTA

sterling fashion by Sydney Olympic's Chris

Kalantzis.

In the space of 10 minutes he initiated three good chances for the Aussies and at least one of them should have been buried when he beat Richard Mulligan on the left and put the ball right across goal but no one was there to finish off.

Frank Farina was having an uncharacteristic off-day but it was he who inspired and set-up the opening goal.

After 28 minutes the flying winger collected the ball from Paul Wade on the right and took off at Allan Boath. He jinked inside and layed the pass off to Graham Arnold. The turn by the powerful front-runner left Malcolm Dunford for dead and the shot bobbed inside the far post.

Australia took the ascendancy from here and shots from Raskopoulos and Kalantzis went perilously close.

With only two minutes gone in the second half the home side could well have had another. Raskopoulos drove his corner low and hard towards goal where Mulligan miskicked and Rob-



Kevin Hagan trapped by Peter Raskopoulos and Charlie Yankos.

bie Dunn's flick with the heel went straight across the goalmouth.

The All Whites were having little luck and this was evident in the 55th minute when a corner was swung over by Ricki Herbert. Dunn managed to get a slight touch with his head onto it but the ever-dangerous Andy Deeley drove his header goalward

only to be denied by a brilliant stop on the line by Wally Savor.

Andrew Zinni had been brought on after 70 minutes in place of Kalantzis and made an impact after just a cou-

ple of minutes on the field with his first touch of the ball — not that he knew much about it!

Graham Jennings scooted off down the left on a lengthy run and after beating two cut the ball back for Farina. His shot was heading for somewhere near the corner post when Zinni inadvertently got in the road of it and deflected the ball past Kiwi keeper Frank van Hattum.

Frank Arok then made his second substitution when he brought on Robbie Wheatley for the injured Robbie Dunn.

Wheatley's lot is interesting enough to take a moment and look at. During the week the classy, young Marconi defender trained with the Soceroos but then that was nothing out of the ordinary. Then at 12.00 noon on the day of the match he went to the team hotel to pick up some tickets and was told that he was needed for duty. He had to ring

home for his family to bring his gear. Robbie claimed it came as a real surprise but he had no complaints!

After going 2-0 up Australia never really looked like consolidating and the Kiwis in fact grabbed a goal back six minutes from full-time when Duncan Cole launched into one of his long throws. Kevin Hagan back-headed and Deeley, as alert as ever powered his header beyond the despairing Jeff Oliver.

Australia seemed to be weary and the All Whites might in fact have levelled it up after a deflection off Alan Hunter ran into the path of Deeley who had an open goal but couldn't finish.

AUSTRALIA: Oliver, Savor, Jennings, Yankos, Dunn (Wheatley 76), Hunter, Farina, Raskopoulos, Wade, Arnold, Kalantzis. NEW ZEALAND: van Hattum, Mulligan, Cresswell, Cole, Dunford, Herbert, Deeley, McLennan, Boath, Sumner. Referee: Gary Power. Crowd: 5000

THE COACHES COMMENTS

FRANK AROK (Australia): I was happy with the result and the winning of the trophy but we are still far away from putting together a top performance. There are too many mistakes in our game, too much backward play. This team is far from being finalised and our ordinary efforts cannot be excused with the youth of the team.

Our defence made a bad mistake in letting in the goal and the players are aware of the mistake that caused it. New Zealand are a much more experienced outfit and that worked in their favour obviously — the majority of their team has had World Cup experience.

Andrew Zinni has shown me that he is a striker who is able to get into position to score more than most and the fact that he replaced Kalantzis has no meaning whatsoever. There were three forwards to choose from. Frank Farina was doing all I asked of him and Graham Arnold had scored the goal and worked well so Kalantzis came off — no big deal. I was upset however at not being able to bring into

the game Steve Maxwell. Robbie Dunn was injured so I had to bring on Robbie Wheatley.

As for the timing of the match I think that the end of the season is more appropriate. Being a National League coach I know that the National competition has to have some priority so it can't be continually disrupted by internationals but what I would like to see is these games kicking off in the evening. For some reason in Australia we have this notion that Soccer starts at 3.00 in the afternoon, why can't it start at 7.00?

KEVIN FALLON (New Zealand): We were more than a bit unlucky. Australia's second goal was a complete fluke. The initial shot was headed for the corner flag. We needed an ounce of luck

but we didn't get it and for that I'm disappointed.

I'm pleased with the level of competition in the series and this has helped us build for the Olympics. I've tried out some youngsters and am reasonably happy with them. Australia is a good side and we never gave in today. It was a good game not like last week in Auckland — that was an absolute mess.

People say that our side is an 'old guard' outfit but the fact remains that we are looking at the Olympics and getting prepared for it and I'm never concerned with a players age — just how he plays. In New Zealand, quite frankly, we don't have a great depth of talent.

I don't begrudge Australia the result but we were unlucky. We played better than last week and were always in the game.

Now it is a matter of the Olympics and then the World Cup after that and we have a guaranteed 10 internationals next season to get ready.

NZ EXPRESS

OUR parallel New Zealand weekly publication SOCCER EXPRESS could be on the news stands in NSW whilst we are in recess. They will have a high content of overseas news to keep you up to date until we resume in late January.



Battling ... Peter Raskopolous (left) runs at the Kiwi defence.

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THE TOYOTA CUP, the World Club Championship, will again be played in Tokyo, Japan in December.

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BY JOHN ECONOMOS

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SYDNEY TORNADOES v LOTTO ALL STARS 6-3

Game played on Friday October 24 1986 at South Bankstown YMCA Sydney

THIS was the return leg of the first encounter in which the Lotto All Stars inflicted the Sydney Tornadoes only defeat so far this year. Both teams know each other fairly well and it was no surprise that it turned into a grudge match.

From the outset Lotto were combining well and were unlucky not to score. Their defensive system was working and the Tornadoes just could not break it.

However 11 minutes into the game, Lotto keeper, Bruce Thurlow, dropped the ball to Pat Stromquist. Pat, unfortunately for Lotto, was looking the other way and this allowed Tornadoes' Robbie Stuart to steal in and direct the ball past Thurlow.

Tornadoes rhythm then picked up and they were getting on top. They were stringing together plenty of passes and waiting for the opportunities to arrive.

It wasn't long before they were rewarded with a goal from Steve Knight. Just before half time Tornadoes scored again through John Lembryk and they led 3-0 at the break.

Lotto had to try something new to get back into the game and they began to move up quickly on the Tornadoes backmen, forcing them to play the ball early. This worked well as a mistake saw Glen Ross with a half chance and he punished Tornadoes with a fine goal.

Tornadoes then attacked non-stop and Lotto counter attacked just as quickly. Really the game could have went either way from this point.

Lotto's attacks were becoming more frequent and they were starting to get on top. An intercept pass and clinical finishing from Robbie Stuart however, gave Tornadoes a 4-1 lead. Lotto determination then showed as they came back full of fire.

Mark Beck then produced a brilliant piece of individual skill to record the goal of the match. He received the ball from Thurlow in the middle of the field and turned right, slowly dragging it with him. In this action he took two Tornadoes defenders away.

With a change of pace he dummied outside, flicked the ball inside, leaving the two defenders stranded and slammed it home. The score was 4-2.

This certainly gave Lotto a glimmer of hope and they surged forward again. Tornadoes were reeling and Lotto capitalised. Dave Beck made it 4-3 and it looked like Lotto were going to romp home.

Tornadoes then received a direct free kick in front of the goal and Knight converted to make it 5-3. Lotto then seemed to falter and Tornadoes scored again. With only three minutes to go, Tornadoes had the game wrapped up.

But then two tackles marred what was a fine

spectacle of indoor Soccer. Glen Jeffery and Craig Bass were both blue carded. After this both teams wanted to play the man rather than the ball.

Overall it was an exciting game and Lotto

were unlucky not to at least salvage a draw.

Goalscorers: Tornadoes Knight 3, Stuart 2, Lembryk 2. Points: Knight 3, M. Beck 2, Stuart 1. Lotto Ross 1, D. Beck 1, M. Beck 1.

— SCOTT GILLIGAN

SYDNEY TORNADOES v
CANBERRA AMPOL ROCKETS 8-2

GAME played on Saturday October 18 1986 at the Australian Institute of Sport, Canberra.

THIS was the return leg of the first televised game on SBS which the Tornadoes won 5-3.

There has always been a lot of spite and fierce competition between the two teams and this game was no exception. Tornadoes began full of confidence and their tactical approach to the game was to prove the telling factor.

The Tornadoes took the lead through a brilliant goal by Steven Knight which rocketed into the roof of the net. Glen Jeffery then received a ball from goalkeeper Craig Carlisle and turned his man to slot the ball past the keeper. Tornadoes led 2-0. He repeated that performance a minute later to make it 3-0.

Soon after a brilliant solo run from Emil Maricic saw him beat three players and slip the ball past the advancing keeper. This gave the Rockets a glimmer of hope but they needed to tighten their defence. Once again however, Jeffery broke free and planted the ball firmly in the back of the net for his hat trick and Tornadoes fourth goal.

Just before halftime Maricic repeated his earlier solo run and slotted the ball past keeper

game and the blue card was introduced. John Lembryk was the first to go and Steven Knight quickly followed suit but not before he added Tornadoes fifth.

Robbie Stuart, Jeffery, and George Psaroudis added a further three goals to make the score 8-2 and then the Rockets decided to forget about playing indoor Soccer and concentrated playing the man. It seemed that they deliberately wanted to abandon the game.

Eventually their tactics worked as two players were blue carded and they had already used their substitutions. Therefore, the game could not continue as



GLEN JEFFERIES (Tornadoes) strides it out while V. Kondinski (Eliminators) wants a piece of the action.

the Rockets only had three players on the field.

It's a pity that the Rockets are sore losers because it was an excit-

ing game of Indoor Soccer and would have pleased any crowd.

Goalscorers: Tornadoes G. Jeffery 4, S. Knight 2, R. Stuart 1.



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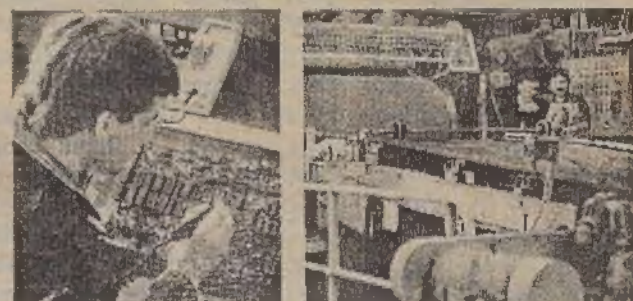
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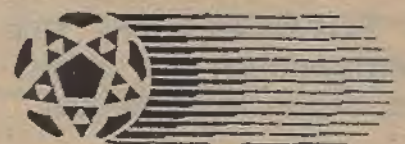
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G. Psaroudis 1. Points 2. J. Lembryk 1. G. Jeffery 3, S. Knight Rockets E. Maricic 2.

SYDNEY TORNADOES v CANBERRA CITY STRIKERS

Game played on Sunday 19th October 1986 at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra.

CANBERRA had a lot to prove in this game. They were still smarting from the 10-2 thrashing they received in the first clash.

Their determination certainly showed and they were unlucky not to swing this one in their favour.

From the outset the Strikers took the lead and had the Tornadoes reeling. But from the kick off a shot from Scott Gilligan hit the post and Robbie Stuart slotted the ball home.

This goal sparked the Tornadoes into attack and they dominated the rest of the first half.

Some fine defence from John Lembryk soon turned to attack and he found the net to make it 2-1. Steven Knight put Tornadoes further ahead when he slotted the ball past the advancing keeper.

Just before half time Gilligan received the ball just inside the field of play and from an acute angle steered the

ball into the roof of the net. This made the score 4-1 at half time and Tornadoes were looking good.

From the restart however, the Strikers seemed to be a different team. They brought the ball forward at every opportunity and Tornadoes were, once again reeling. Two quick goals were scored and the Strikers were back in the game and at this stage were looking like a winning side.

With the score at 4-3 John Lembryk received a blue card after committing his fifth personal foul and was fouled out of the game. This looked promising for Strikers as Lembryk was playing well, producing some fine crunching tackles.

The Strikers then received a direct free kick and from the spot they made no mistake to draw level at 4 all. Tornadoes at this stage were looking a very tired outfit and it seemed like they were on the brink of losing their second game of the season.

He then got up and threw the ball at Knight's face earning him the blue card.

It amazes me how players think they can get away with it.

From the spot Knight made it 6-4 and Strikers seemed to fold. Knight capped a fine performance when he scored his

third and Tornadoes seventh just before full time. The final score read Tornadoes 7 Strikers 4.

Goalscorers: Tornadoes Knight 3, Stuart 2, Gilligan 1, Lembryk 1. Points Knight 3, Wotherspoon 2, Stuart 1.

SYDNEY TORNADOES v ANSETT VALLEY STARS 9-8

Game played on Sunday October 26 1986 at South Banktown YMCA Sydney

AS was predicted, this game was fast, non stop, end to end action. The first time these two teams met Tornadoes won 5-4 in the last 13 seconds. I thought Ansett were unlucky not to win as they led all the way through the game. This game was very similar.

It began with Tornadoes throwing everything they had at Ansett. They hit the post on several occasions and the keeper also denied them.

A quick break caught Tornadoes on the hop and Ansett went ahead. A free kick to Tornadoes outside the box was squared to Gilligan and he made it 1-1.

Tornadoes continual-

ly poured forward and all Ansett could do was hold out. Gill Tour then received the ball inside the goal keeper's area, brilliantly evaded his clutches, took it outside, and turned and chipped the ball into the top right hand corner.

Then a chip from Coad floated onto Cassar's left foot volley and bounced past Psaroudis to make it 2-2 at half time. Tornadoes did all the attacking and Ansett capitalised on two quick breaks. And such was the flow of the second half.

From the outset Gilligan put Tornadoes ahead 3-2. But within a matter of two minutes Ansett had scored three goals to lead 5-3. Tornadoes continued to attack and eventually scored again through Gilligan. The score was 5-4 to Ansett with 13 minutes to go.

Tornadoes then made three substitutions and brought on the big guns, Steven Knight, Glen Jeffery, and John Lembryk. It proved to be the telling factor. All were fresh and gave everything they had for the balance of the game.

Ansett decided it was time to attack while the Tornadoes weren't warmed up. They scored again through Tanti to make it 6-4. Within 3 minutes Jeffery made it 6-5 and then magically held off three players to roll the ball back into the path of the motoring Lembryk who belted the ball into the top right hand corner. The score was then 6-5 with five minutes to go.

Ansett then produced two more goals, one from Coad from a direct free kick and one from Cassar to put them ahead 8-5 and looking like they were going to inflict the second defeat to the Sydney Tornadoes.

With 1½ minutes to go, Ansett called a time out and the Tornadoes looked beaten. But in that break Tornadoes seemed to summon up their resources and came out breathing fire. From the kick off Knight took on several players and steered the ball home. 8-7 the score line.

The incredible happened then and the Ansett goalkeeper would be kicking himself. John Lembryk received the ball from Psaroudis and without wasting time chipped the ball forward towards Jeffery.

The ball eluded everybody and the keeper completely missed it,

letting it slip through his legs and into the goal. The scoreline was then 8-8.

Straight from the kick-off Ansett attacked. Lembryk dispossessed and passed the ball directly to Jeffery. He then held it for at least 10 seconds, riding tackles and bumping off players and finally found room to turn and steer the ball past the keeper. The Tornadoes bench was delighted and

Ansett were mystified.

The final whistle blew and Tornadoes had won 9-8 in the most thrilling game the James Hardie National Indoor Soccer League had produced so far this year.

Goalscorers: Tornadoes Gilligan 3, Jeffery 2, Lembryk 2, Tour 1, Knight 1, Ansett A. Cassar 3, Tanti 3, Coad 2, Points A. Cassar 3, Gilligan 2, Osman 1.

MACKAY MONARCHS v ENDURO SPARTANS

Game played on Saturday October 18 1986 at Soccer World - Mackay Nth Queensland

THE Mackay Monarchs recorded their first ever win in the James Hardie National Indoor Soccer League at Soccer World on Saturday night.

The game yielded 13 goals and some brilliant Soccer. Enduro Spartans will go down in the record books as being the first team ever to be beaten by the Monarchs. It has been on cards for a long time.

Many a time the Monarchs side has been in the driving seat and with only a few minutes to go has lost its way. The Enduro Spartans beat the Monarchs 7-1 in Sydney last week but had the Monarchs taken the chances they created, the score would have a lot closer.

So the scene was set, the Monarchs were keen for their first win.

The first goal was

scored by Mackay player, Jock Harris - a fine right-footed drive from 15 metres which gave the Spartans keeper no chance. Dave Olive increased the Monarchs lead with a great drive on the volley.

The Monarchs were playing with a lot of confidence and it was no surprise to see them go further ahead through their captain, Alan McKerihan.

Two goals resulted from this and with only forty seconds to go the Spartans had pulled back to 7-6. This was a nailbiting time for both teams but the Monarchs held on to their one goal lead - final score 7-6 in favour of the Mackay Monarchs.

Goalscorers Mackay Monarchs Jock Harris 4, Dave Olive 1, Alan McKerihan 1, Justin Mifsud 1. Enduro Spartans Marcello Bacic 2, Charles Akkari 3, Hilton Silva 1.

— TRISH KEIGHTLEY

GAME RESULTS 18th-19th OCTOBER

MELBOURNE ELIMINATORS v LOTTO ALL STARS	7-3
CANBERRA ROCKETS v TORNADOES	2-8
MACKAY MONARCHS v ENDURO SPARTANS	7-6
MELBOURNE METS v LOTTO ALL STARS	5-3
CANBERRA STRIKERS v TORNADOES	4-7
BRISBANE BOMBERS v ENDURO SPARTAN	1-0
ANSETT STARS v LOTTO ALL STARS	8-2

24th-26th OCTOBER

LOTTO ALL STARS v SYDNEY TORNADOES	3-6
ENDURO SPARTANS v ANSETT VALLEY STARS	6-6
CANBERRA CITY STRIKERS v BUFFALO METS	6-3
SYDNEY TORNADOES v ANSETT VALLEY STARS	9-8
CANBERRA ROCKETS v BUFFALO METS	5-2

WEEK NINE POINTS TABLE

TEAM	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	D	Pts
1. Sydney Tornadoes	17	16	-	1	102	49	53	49
2. Lotto All Stars	16	9	-	7	64	70	-	34
3. Enduro Spartans	15	6	1	8	86	86	-	28
4. Canberra City Strikers	14	7	-	7	68	81	-	28
5. Ansett Valley Stars	13	6	1	6	86	64	22	26
6. Brisbane Buffalo								
Bombers	12	7	-	5	49	41	8	26
7. Canberra Ampol Rockets	12	5	1	6	71	70	1	23
8. Buffalo Mets	14	4	-	10	60	84	-	22
9. Melbourne Eliminators	11	4	1	6	57	66	-	20
10. Mackay Monarchs	10	1	-	9	23	55	-	12

GOALSCORERS:

39 - C. AKKARI (SPARTANS)
32 - A. CASSAR (ANSETT)
26 - G. JEFFERY (TORNADOES)
22 - R. NOGGLER (ELIMINATORS)
19 - E. CASSAR (ANSETT)
17 - T. LEMEZINA (ROCKETS)
16 - C. SIMPSON (BOMBERS)
16 - S. KNIGHT (TORNADOES)
15 - E. MARICIC (ROCKETS)
15 - F. CARVALHO (METS)
14 - C. FERREIRA (METS)
14 - V. CARVALHO (METS)
14 - S. GILLIGAN (TORNADOES)
12 - B. STEWART (STRIKERS)
12 - G. TOUR (TORNADOES)



JAMES HARDIE NATIONAL INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE 1987

Applications for teams who wish to participate in the 1987 National Indoor Soccer League will be received from November 17th 1986 to December 19th 1986.

Applications in writing should be addressed to the Secretary, Australian Indoor Soccer Federation Mr A. Umpleby, P.O. Box No. 135, Revesby NSW 2212.

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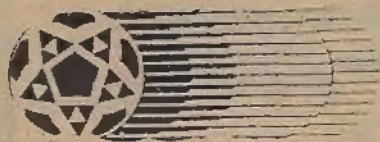
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QUEENSLAND (BRISBANE) -
NEW SOUTH WALES -
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY -
VICTORIA -
SOUTH AUSTRALIA -
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CSR AND MARCONI CONTINUE THEIR STRONG ASSOCIATION

MARCONI and long time sponsors CSR Gyprock will continue their highly successful combination for another two years — and possibly longer.

Marconi president Tony Labbozzetta announced the new sponsorship at the club's annual presentation night last Friday, which was attended by a large gathering.

The sponsorship takes the form of a \$90,000 cash deal with Gyprock also looking to become involved more in Marconi's junior set-up.

BY RAY GATT

Gyprock and Marconi have now been together for the last four years and it obvious that this relationship is a harmonious one — and one which could last for some time to come.

Fullbacks Paul Carter and Robbie Wheatley and striker David Lowe were voted Gyprock

player of the year at the club.

Marconi also announced the appointment of former Italian national team player Roberto Vieri as coach of the first grade side for next season's West End National League.

Vieri will take over from Les Scheinflug, who has taken over the reins at Blacktown City.

Vieri open was a classy player in his playing days and if he can pass on some of his skill then the game can only improve in this country.

Marconi have also signed talented Yugoslav midfielder Petar Zrilic from Canterbury and are currently negotiating with several other players.

Many their own



DAVID LOWE

CHALLENGE TO NEW ZEALAND

MIGHTLY oaks still grow from little acorns.

And so it could be with the National Soccer League's move to stage the South Pacific Challenge Series in conjunction with the New Zealand League.

Cup and League winners meet home and away in March to decide the winner.

It will take airline support to give the series a worthwhile start.

New Zealand clubs are on the improve and their representatives North Shore and

Mt Wellington, both from Auckland, have sound records.

Australia's representatives will be champions Adelaide City and Cup winners Sydney City.

The Slickers have pressed for the chance to stage Cup matches at home instead of running all around the country.

This is their big chance.

Spreading the Cup around Asia is one for the future.

Hopefully it might not be that far away.

— KEITH GILMOUR

MY AWARD GOES TO ZORAN

AFTER the National Award night at the Regent Hotel for which the league management and SBS should be congratulated for a thoroughly professional evening, some players and coaches will be wondering what they have to do to win an award.

BY ALAN VEST

There's always some one disappointed and people have different opinions, but all the players award winners seemed to be pretty unanimous in most people's minds.

The coaching award must have left one coach in particular very disap-

pointed and I felt that way for him too, and that was Zoran Matic, the Adelaide City coach.

I think Dragoslav Sekularac did a fantastic job with Footscray and certainly deserved great praise.

Others who also

THANKS!

ASW has been forced to hold over a number of newsy articles and pictures. We expect to be able to publish them in early issues next season. Meanwhile, many thanks for the assistance of so many contributors.

maybe should have mentioned are John Gardiner, who again did a top job at Sunshine George Cross, Peter Irving at Newcastle and John Fleming at Wollongong.

All did good jobs with small budgets and limited squads.

The success though of Adelaide City and its coach Zoran Matic certainly is a remarkable one.

Not only were they consistent throughout the season but came through at the end to win the top five series in the Southern Division and the national final against Sydney Olympic.

They did it with perhaps the smallest squad in the league.

They did it with no

new big signings, but with a squad who have mainly been at Adelaide City for a good number of years.

McNally, Flounders, Nyskohus, Tobin, Melta, Villani Mullen and Maxwell have all been at the club more than five years, whilst Santrac and Vidmar were signed from local State League teams.

To win the final after a long hard season, with virtually a home grown team I think deserves special mention.

It's been a great team effort down from president Charlie Caruso and his board, assistant coach John Perin and the of course the players, but my coach's award for 1986 must go to Zoran Matic.

I've known Zoran a number of years — a quiet man, a good thinker in the game, and a tremendous job done for Adelaide City.



LES SCHEINFLUG

Robbie Slater as his replacement.

players have still to be resigned, but club officials are hopeful of finalising this aspect within the next few weeks.

Meanwhile, Sydney Olympic have surprised with their announcement that Milan Lukic will coach their first grade team next season.

Lukic, who has a wealth of international experience, will replace the highly successful Manfred Schaefer, who, at this stage, has not indicated whether he will be coaching next season.

Lukic, a Yugoslav, played with Sydney club Yugal in the late 1960s and with Juventus, now Adelaide City.

He has coached the Ghana, Nigerian and Cameroon national teams.

Sydney Croatia winger Zeljko Jurin left Australia at the end of the season to trial in Switzerland.

It is highly unlikely he will be returning to Sydney, so Croatia have signed talented winger

ASPA-NSL AWARD WINNERS 1986

PLAYER OF THE YEAR Graham Arnold
UNDER 21 PLAYER OF THE YEAR Ernie Tapai
REFEREE OF THE YEAR Donald Campbell
COACH OF THE YEAR Dragoslav Sekularac
NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE

North: Paul Trimboli

South: Nick Ousalkas

MOST ENTERTAINING PLAYER

Ernie Tapai

Past Award Winners

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

1977 Jimmy Rooney
1978 Ken Boden
1979 Ivo Prskalo
1980 Jim Hermiston
1981 Bobby Russell
1982 Peter Katholos
1983 Joe Watson
1984 Sergio Melta
1985 Graham Honeyman

COACH OF THE YEAR

1977 Rale Rasic
1978 Gerry Chaldi
1979 Les Scheinflug
1980 John Margaritis
1981 Eddie Thomson
1982 Frank Arok
1983 Frank Arok
1984 Eddie Thomson
1985 Eddie Thomson

UNDER 21 PLAYER OF THE YEAR

1977 John Kostina
1978 Ian Souness
1979 Eddie Krncevic
1980 John Spanos
1981 David Mitchell
1982 Davie Lowe
1983 Oscar Crino
1984 Tony Franken
1985 Alan Hunter

NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

1983 Jamie Dummett
1984 Manis Lamond
(Northern Division)
1984 Manny Anezakis
(Southern Division)
1985 Sean Fudge
(Northern Division)
1985 George Katsakis
(Southern Division)

MOST ENTERTAINING PLAYER

1983 Frank Farina
1984 Chris Kalantzis
1985 Oscar Crino

REFEREE OF THE YEAR

1978 Peter Rampley
1979 Tony Boskovic
1980 Peter Rampley
1981 Tim Davies
1982 Tony Boskovic
1983 Stuart Mellings
1984 Doug Rennie
1985 Donald Campbell

PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR

1980 Les Shorroch
1981 Antonin Cermak
1982 Antonin Cermak
1983 Stephen Holland
1984 Geoff Beatty
(discontinued)

PURGE THOSE DEBTS

BY KEITH GILMOUR

EVERYTHING isn't beer and skittles for many clubs which have stayed in or just exited from the National Soccer League.

Sure, some of them are stable financially and looking to the future with confidence.

Others however live on day to day income which is just above the mass of debts line.

Current information is that the outstandings of three particular clubs would approximate \$1,000,000.

And that is after the guarantors for one of them have had to fork

out over \$100,000 to satisfy the bank for the moment.

The bank, too, had to write off \$450,000 to wind up a social club.

To keep one club afloat was the work of the club president, on whose exceptional ability the bank was prepared to rely.

A lot of credit must go to those enthusiasts who prop up the clubs, but something better must be arranged.

The executive officer of a club in a competitor code recently put the situation this way: "Some clubs don't address the problem. That's why they're in debt."

That puts it in a nutshell. If a handful of major Soccer clubs had to fairly meet their outstandings they would have to be wound up.

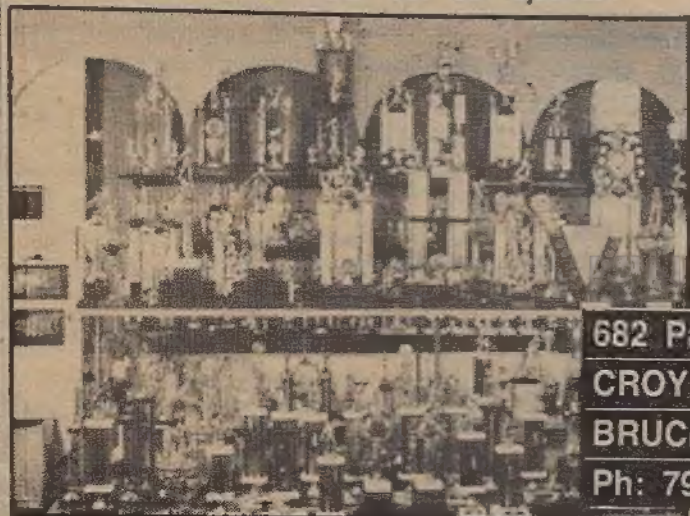
It is not productive to point to the unsatisfactory finances of Soccer club in other countries.

The job must be done right here in Australia.

The stage has now come when, if the Australian Soccer Federation makes no move for a management consultant review of the code, the National Soccer League must.

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Nov 10 at 6pm... Under 13s & 14s
Nov 11 at 6pm... Under 15s & 16s

For further information on the above trials, please contact:

Mr Keith Charles... ☎ 610 2222

OR

Mr Vlc Budini... ☎ 604 2479

THE GLOVES ARE OFF WITH TERRY GREEDY



THE last of the 1986 Awards were handed out at the Regent Hotel with Sydney Croatia striker Graham Arnold being crowned the ASPA-NSL Player of the Year.

A crowd of 500 packed the main hall to see 'Army' receive his award.

On a night where the best player for the season is presented with his award it was disappointing to see so few players in attendance.

With approximately 350 players participating in the National League it is hard to believe there were only about 30 at the presentation ceremony.

Making up the numbers were club officials, their families and friends.

Indeed many of these faces were unknown to the few players present.

It would be safe to assume that many had not even seen a game this year, but were still able to attend, while those who have played their part in making 1986 such a successful year — the players — were not even invited.

Yes, folks it was definitely a night for the officials, who unlike the players who attended, were allowed to take their wives to this 'galah' occasion.

One player present could not understand why, with so many officials present, they didn't finish the night with an award for 'Official of the year' rather than Player of the Year.

I WAS sitting next to Graham Arnold at the function and 10 seconds after finding our seats we were greeted by a senior journalist, who proceeded to congratulate

late 'Army' on his award win.

The winner is supposedly a closely guarded secret and this adds to the atmosphere of the night.

To hear his name called out from the stage no doubt adds to the winner's pleasure.

What a shame that the element of surprise was taken from Army.

CROATIA have not relaxed after their successful season. Instead they have been very active in the transfer market and if rumours are correct they will definitely be to the fore in next year's league.

To date Robbie Slater, Mark Jones and Tony Franken have signed with Robbie Dunn to follow.

With such quality players on their books, 1987 may see Croatia eclipsing their past triumphs and adding the national champions crown to their already impressive record.

THE new look Soccer-oo team wrapped up the Trans Tasman series at Parramatta Stadium on Sunday in a game that never reached great heights.

Australia dominated the first half and showed that, given time, they will blend into an excellent combination.

The unselfish running off the ball to support



the player in possession was a feature of their game.

On the other hand New Zealand looked a pale shadow of the team that played so well in the World Cup qualifying games last year.

It was obvious there were too many players in the team who are no longer capable of per-

forming at international level.

For Australia Chris Kalantzis repeatedly beat his marker and it was disappointing to see him waste the chances he created by shooting when other players were better positioned to finish.

Robbie Dunn at the back did an excellent job to nuffify Kevin Hagan's contribution to the attack. With more composure on the ball he will develop into the cornerstone of the Australian defence.

ROBBIE Wheatley must be pinching himself to see if he is dreaming.

After calling into the team's HQ to collect



ROBBIE WHEATLEY

tickets he was told he would be on the bench.

A call home was needed to get his gear to the stadium.

Robbie eventually came on as a replacement and had an excel-

lent game, thus vindicating the faith shown by the National coach.

With Charlie Yankos picking up a player, Robbie was free to push forward and contribute to the Australian attack

— a facet previously missing from the Soccer-oo's playing style.

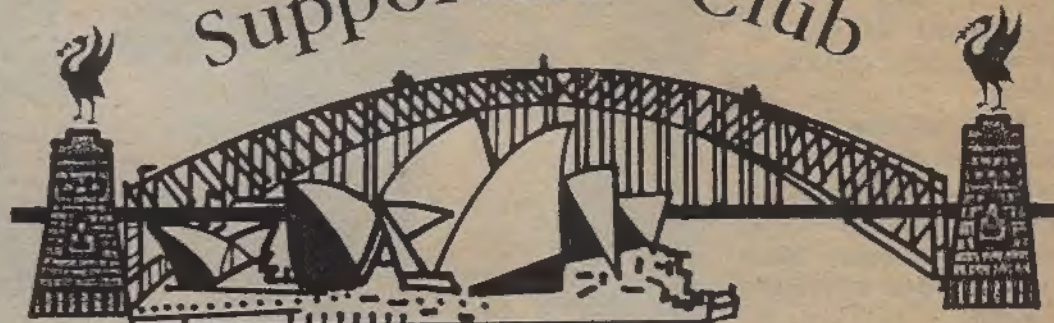
As this is the last column I would like to wish readers a very Merry Christmas. With the new league set-up and

sponsorship from the West End Brewery, all looks encouraging for the future.

I look forward to 1987 being a bigger and better year for Soccer in Australia.

LIVERPOOL F. C.

Supporters Club



Sydney Branch

LIVERPOOL F.C. of England, easily one of the world's most powerful, consistently successful and dynamic Soccer clubs, at long last is having a Supporters' Club formed in Sydney.

Liverpool Supporters stretch across the globe and now Sydney has been set up as a base for to cater for local needs.

A dynamic group of Dalglish followers have banded together to form an official branch of the "Liverpool Football Club Supporters" Club, which has branches throughout the world.

This Sydney branch has already secured Australia's own Craig Johnston as Patron.

The President of the Liverpool Supporters' Club, Mr Rex McMillan, said last night: "We thought it only fitting that Craig, being an Australian player with Liverpool, should be involved."

"We were most elated when he accepted our invitation."

Mr John Tully, the

Secretary of this Sydney-based club, told ASW: "We waited a while for his response. It was during the weeks when Liverpool was playing a lot of away matches and Craig was obviously tied up scoring goals."

"Finally a letter came to us with an illustration of a shaggy-haired kangaroo playing Soccer IN A RED SHIRT. We knew instantly who it was from."

The Liverpool F.C. Supporters Club (Sydney Branch) has a top-designed logo - an illustration of the Opera House and Harbour Bridge with the famous Liver bird perched on each pylon (see this column).

On Sunday, November 16th, this Suppor-

ters' Club will be holding its last meeting for 1986 at a North Sydney restaurant at 2pm sharp.

All interested Liverpool Supporters wishing to become new members of this fabulous Soccer club, should immediately contact Mr John Tully in Sydney on telephone 428 5822 during business hours or at home on 419 7143.

Membership fees are \$20 and \$10 for Juniors whilst Distant Supporters' fees are \$15.

Meetings are held regularly and Liverpool souvenirs are now being in the process of being organised for members which will include badges, key-rings, sweat-shirts, scarves, stationery etc.

Remember, November 16th for the last meeting of the season.

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CAMPBELL WAS THE REFEREES' KING

IT should have come as no surprise when Don Campbell won the Australian Soccer Press Association-NSL Referee of the Year Award.

Sydney saw Campbell do a sound job of the second leg of the Australian grand finals.

BY KEITH GILMOUR

Close behind him in standing over the year was Melbourne's Chris Bambridge.

It wasn't a great year for referees, but on the other hand it wasn't as bad as it was painted.

At times sensationalism took over from commonsense and logic.

Some people fail to realise that referees have to be spread around.

The top men can't handle the same teams week after week.

Northern NSW did well as both Jim Reeves and Bob Davies did much better than the critics allowed.

The Queensland pair, Bill Monteverde and Alan Kibbler had some good matches too.

In NSW both Gary Power and Richard Lorenc advanced their standings.

Graham Warne was reliable and Tony Pollard showed potential.

Stuart Mellings from Victoria was also seen to advantage.



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CHIT CHAT — Behind the scene at your club

THE '74 Socceroos really enjoyed the day — and the result. But, it was nothing compared to the after-match celebrations.

Most of them were well and truly primed when they headed for the near-by Parramatta Leagues Club for a few refreshments.

Needless to say the memories came flooding back as they recalled those great days of past.

Jim Rooney and Jim Mackay enjoyed themselves so much that they decided to stay overnight instead of returning to Melbourne on the same night.



CONGRATULATIONS from one official to another. Referee of the Year Don Campbell (right) is offered best wishes from fellow referee Nick Xanthos during the Awards night at the Regent last Monday.

WHEN Frank Coletta gave away the penalty for the final goal, the Socceroos wanted Jim Mackay, who was standing on the half-way line, to take the kick.

Ray Gatt tried hard to give Mackay to take the kick, but Jimmy would not budge.

Asked why, he said: "It's too far to walk to the centre spot."

FORMER Socceroo goalkeeper Terry Greedy did not quite know what to make of Andy Paschalidis's effort in goals in the second half.

Andy, or alphabet as he is known, made some great saves, but, as Greedy pointed out after one particularly exuberant dive: "He is a typical Greek showman!"

WHILE on Greedy, Chook seemed to fall asleep when Branko Buljevic put a free-kick past him for the second goal.

He was too busy trying to organise Andy Paschalidis. Only problem was that he forgot about Buljevic. There were stunned looks all round when the ball went into the net.

Little wonder Mr Greedy asked to be allowed to be a field player in the second half.

FORMER leading referee Tim Davies enjoyed last season as a referee in the Gladesville-Hornsby FA ranks. Tim has a young teen-aged family and he can keep close to their activities with their local club.

YOU could have heard a pin drop when the media boys walked into the dressing room at half-time with the score 3-0 and threatening to climb higher for the second half.

Some bright spark suggested Eddie Thomson give the guys one of his stirring half-time speeches. Thommo obliged and let loose with a tirade which had ears stinging (it was all in fun).

Only problem was that he seemed to scare the boys so much that they were even worse in the second half — conceding another six goals.

At least it didn't reach double figures.

AT least most of the players from the media did not chicken out of their duty, even though a thrashing was always on the cards.

We won't mention names, will we Stefan? but a prominent NSL official deserted the sinking ship only two days before the match. Some excuse about having to help out with the organising a few matters on the day of the game.

Anyway, as one wag said: "The score would have been doubled anyway if he had played!"

Never mind, Stefan, we will still ask you to play for us next time.

Flashback

O'NEILL WAS TOUGH, BUT WITH STYLE

KEVIN O'NEILL, a mine-worker from Cessnock, was on the spot when the NSW Soccer Federation began to operate in 1957.

A sturdy full-back, O'Neill slotted in with Prague club, at that stage playing on Sydney Athletic Field and one of the best units in the business.

Although at times their speed would not match today's leaders, they had a skill factor that so often would be impossible to match.

Players from local clubs such as O'Neill, goalkeeper Ron Lord and defender Ken Hiron blended in well with overseas stars, who included Andy Saghi, Karl Jaros, Leo Baumgartner, Walter Tamandl and Alick Jeffery.

At Cessnock O'Neill had played alongside the likes of Cliff Almond and Alex Heaney, both great exponents of the game.

Very few forwards could get past O'Neill, who was rugged enough to come out on top in any encounter.

He made 26 appearances for Australia and visited South Africa in a magnificent tour in 1950.



KEVIN O'NEILL ... Cessnock, Prague and Australia.

HIGHLY rated Sydney Croatia coach Vedran Rozic says he expected to be in Australia for a few months when he first arrived here. It's now a couple of years and the club hopes and expects that he will be settled in Australia for good.

RECENTLY overheard at a Soccer get-together.

A. It's a pity Newcastle can't play in the National League.

B. Oh I don't know.
A. Why's that?
B. Because there isn't one.



JOHN KOSMINA, on the prowl.

NOT content with resting on their laurels after the end of the awards, several men-about-town decided to continue the revelry until the early hours of the morning.

Seen heading off to such places as the Cauldron and the Bourbon and Beef-steak bars were the likes of John Kosmina, Terry Greedy, Ray Gatt, Grant Lee, Frank Coletta, Mike Cockerill, Andy Paschalidis, ASPA winner Graham Arnold and Peter Wilkins.

There were a few sick and sorry sights later that morning.

IS THERE any truth in the rumour that some prospective national league coaches are planning to change their surnames by deed poll?

As one wit pointed out when Milan Lukic was appointed coach of Sydney Olympic: "Anyone thinking about coaching in the national league might have to end his surname in lc."

Lukic joins a long line of Yugoslav coaches who have infiltrated Australian Soccer in recent months.

We are not saying it is a bad thing — on the contrary it is great to see some new blood in the code.

It should make for an interesting season next year.

AVAILABLE in book-shops in coming months will be an authoritative history of the Australian National Soccer team — 'The Socceroos' — which begins with the first match against New Zealand in 1922 and carries on to the second match against Scotland in Melbourne in 1985. The author is G.O. De La Scerri, who came to Australia in 1949 and who has been always involved in Soccer, firstly as a junior coach and later as a referee and Soccer writer. He has carefully researched available early records for 2½ years. Photographs include one of the first 'Socceroos', and listed are the 201 full international matches played up until the second Scotland game in 1985.

JOHN PERIN is the key to Adelaide City's continued success, says club president Charlie Caruso. The former Socceroo is in charge of the club's youth programme. A total of 15 teams are involved and strong efforts are being made to develop worthwhile players right through the ranks from the youngest grades.

TALENTED players who have served under Willie Wallace have been impressed with his tips on their play, and also his ability to bring future stars through the ranks. At this stage the former Scottish international winger is still looking for a club.

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AUSTRALIAN Soccer at last showed that is a class sport, with class people, following the brilliant and spectacular Australian Press Association-National League Awards Night at the Regent Hotel in Sydney last Monday week.

The lavish production included many film clips of Soccer action as well as entertainers Brian Doyle and the beautiful Jackie Love.

Not one bad word was heard about the night, except from a couple of men who suggested that we should have seen more of Jackie Love.

THEY are probably as good coaches as they ever were, but they are no longer the flavour of the year, it seems. John Margaritis and Eddie Thomson, both past winners of the ASPA-NSL awards, got together at the Regent Hotel last week and agreed that they would not be in the event. Nor they were, and the same applied to Frank Arok, Rale Rasic and Les Scheinflug, also former Coaches of the Year.

IT was good to see Frank Farina at last being acknowledged by Socceroo coach Frank Arok.

Arok has been reluctant to use the brilliant Sydney City speedster, except for several stints as a replacement player late in a match.

Farina actually started the match against New Zealand in Auckland and showed just what a destructive player he can be.

It is doubtful if one could ever wish to see a better goal than the one he set up for Graham Arnold.

However, despite Frank's brilliant display, word has it that he is no certainty to secure a fulltime position with the team.

The fact that he is not scoring goals for his country is believed to be a concern for Arok. But, when he can set up goals like the one in New Zealand, who cares if he is not scoring?

Hopefully, the rumours are wrong because no-one deserves success more than the personable Farina.



FRANK FARINA in spectacular action against China Taipei last year. Finally Frank has been given a real chance in the national team.

CONGRATULATIONS to Clint Gosling on his marriage on Saturday to Nerida Roberts of Kotara at Christchurch Cathedral, Newcastle.

The couple will live in the Newcastle suburb of Rankin Park.

With Newcastle out of the NSL, Clint is settling for a Sydney club and Sydney City is quite a possibility. Although he could not be considered for New Zealand selection in the two internationals against Australia due to his marriage, Kiwi coach Kevin Fallon has advised that he is wanted for matches against the Russians in 1987.

MANY people were still laughing after the brilliant performance of comedian Brian Doyle, who really wowed the audience.

Brian has been around for quite a while, but he still has that great ability to make people laugh.

Some people may be unaware, but Brian is a mad-keen Soccer fan and has closely followed the fortunes of the sport in Australia.

He has some quite definite views on the game here and he was not afraid to talk about them with league vice-chairman Tony Labbozetta and Sydney Morning Herald Soccer writer Ray Gatt over a beer at the bar at the Regent after the awards.

Indeed, so taken was Doyle with the subject of Soccer that he is more than keen to have his views printed. Gatt has taken up the offer, so look forward in the next four to six weeks to an in-depth interview with Doyle in the Herald.

ONE of the unsung "heroes" of the night was National League executive director Stefan Kamasz.

He worked his heart out to make the awards something special — and he certainly achieved that.

Once again, not only because of the success of the night, but through his efforts throughout the Soccer season, Stefan has shown he is without peer as a Soccer administrator.

One gets the feeling he is destined for bigger things in the sport — provided he is not stolen by another business concern.

SBS-TV is planning a direct satellite telecast from China of the annual Ampol Cup final between Australia and China. Details of the transmission will be announced when they are finalised. Also to be covered is the challenge between the winners of the European Cup (Steau Bucharest) and South America's Copa de Libertadores (to be decided). They meet in the Toyota Cup final in Tokyo.

ONE of the leading Newcastle school coaches over the past ten years or so has been Grant Harrison of Whitebridge High.

Grant has taken teams from the school to several finals including Tasman Cup (now Commonwealth Bank Cup), Bill Turner Cup and Zone Competitions.

He recently completed his Level Two Certificate with Ken Kaiser. No doubt the lads at Whitebridge High will reap the benefits.

GRAHAM ARNOLD, a very popular winner of the Player-of-the-Year award, really surprised a few people with his acceptance speech.

He came across as a very polished performer and showed a prowess in front of the microphone few knew he had.

One particular comment which went down well was during his acceptance speech for the leading goalscorer of the season.

Arnie thanked everyone, but had special mention for John Kosmina.

Said Arnold: "I would like to especially thank John Kosmina for getting sent off every second game. It really helped my chances."

FOOTSCRAY's Ernie Tapai, an Australian schoolboy international, is another distinguished youngster to capture the ASPA-NSL under 21 Player of the Year award.

Previous winners have been John Kosmina, Ian Souness, Eddie Krncevic, John Spanos, David Mitchell, David Lowe, Oscar Crino, Tony Franken and Alan Hunter. What a swag of talent!

THE selection of Graham Arnold as ASPA-NSL Player of the Year must be doubly welcomed.

It is another case of an Australian-born player taking the award, as against the early years when only overseas products made the grade.

GLEN JEFFERY, previously with Avala, will be back with his former NSW State League club Ku-ring-gal this year.

TIM DAVIES WRONG FOOTED

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

TIM DAVIES, formerly one of Australia's top referees, was recently appointed to officiate at the Socceroos vs Media match at Parramatta Stadium which was the curtain-raiser to the National Grand Final.

But when Timothy opened his gear bag to get changed for the match in the dressing rooms he found to his horror that he had brought two right boots.

A left one was not in sight.

An urgent "SOS" went out across the stadium.

But alas, no relief was coming, and the main reason was that Timothy wears a size 10½.

A urgent phone call went to a taxi base to sent out a cab to

Timothy's home in Penrith Hills to pick up a left boot.

Meanwhile, colleague Peter Rampley went into action with the whistle for the first half.

The cab pulled up at the Parramatta Stadium with the precious left boot just five minutes before halftime.

Red-faced, Timothy took the field for the second half as the Socceroos flooded the Media's goals with shots.

And, if you think a size 10½ is the largest in Australian Soccer, think again.

Sydney Olympic's giant goalkeeper Gary Meier takes the checkered flag in the "Boot Race".

Gary crosses the line first as he wears a size 11½.

PS. And who was the referee who first went to the Hilton for the ASPA-NSL 'bash' last week, instead of heading for the Regent. We know, don't we, Timmy, but we won't say, will we...

WOLLONGONG CITY will only lose a player or two following their drops into the NSW State League.

Full-back David Green is attracting attention, whilst Scott Dickson, after missing the year with injury, has finished his course at Wollongong University and could possibly be looking for a club not too far away from his home town of Penrith.

THE 2.56 goals per game recorded in the NSL for 1986 should not cause much joy, even if they can only manage 1.3 in the Italian League. One goal every 305 minutes is not enough — the whole situation calls for a close look by FIFA, even if the average game produces its share of hit the posts, near misses and corner kicks.

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ASW takes a look at the

THE perennial question at the end of the Soccer season is: Who should choose the best player and how should it be done?

In each state, the Rothmans Medal is awarded to local State League player and a separate Rothmans Medal for the NSL award winner.

The votes are cast by the referees in each game and the player with the highest total is declared the winner.

The cynics call it the "Politest Player Award", as booked or sent off players do not receive votes.

Many people also think that the referees, who have a very demanding job to control a game, haven't got the time to concentrate on judging the players' performances.

ASPA (Australian Soccer Press Association) chooses the NSL Player of the Year either by accumulating votes after each game or a vote at the end of the year.

Unfortunately many "scribes" are not responsible. Some have "favourites" and many ethnic writers feel they "have a duty" to choose a player from a team of their own ethnic background.

The common snag in voting game by game is that a good player in a bad team usually wins, as in a better team a number of talented players rival each other for votes.

When it comes to judging players, I thought it would be a good idea to ask the coaches about the best players.

Coaches should know what to choose as they make their living (partly or fully) out of Soccer after all.

I surveyed the NSL Northern Division and asked the coaches to vote on three issues:

- 1) An XI of the year excluding "his own" players.
- 2) Best buy for his team irrespective of whether the player is available.
- 3) A coaches' coach of the year (3-2-1 points basis).

I'd like to thank all the coaches for their kind co-operation, expert choices and many observations that helped me to better understand them and their Soccer philosophies.

— JOE MARTON

THE CHOICES

KEEN Soccer observer Joe Marton reckons that the coaches, who are fully or partly employed in controlling the players, should know more about their trade than anyone else.

In fact a sifting out process has occurred over the years that has left most of the top practitioners in charge at the more professionally conducted clubs.

This certainly reinforces his argument, and leads to a tremendous weight being given to his tabulated replies over the worth of top echelon players.

With the move to the 14 team League it means that many of the coaches' choices will be reflected in their clubs' moves into the transfer market.

His reasoning process is not without a sly dig at the methodology involved in some award selections.

So read on for a top backgrounding on the current state of the art...

— THE EDITOR

THE COACHES' FIRST SELECTIONS

	GOALKEEPER	RIGHT FULLBACK	LEFT FULLBACK	CENTRE BACK (STOPPER)	CENTRE BACK SWEEPER
FRANK AROK ST GEORGE	CLINT GOSLING NEWCASTLE	PETER DENYER BLACKTOWN	JOHN CAVANAH NEWCASTLE	ANTE RUMORA CROATIA	MIKE COADY OLYMPIC
CASEY DE BRUIN BLACKTOWN	CLINT GOSLING NEWCASTLE	PAUL CARTER MARCONI	GRAHAM JENNINGS CROATIA	ARNO BERTOOGNA APIA	DAVID RATCLIFFE ST GEORGE
STEVE BRYANT CANBERRA	BRUCE JAMES MARCONI	PAUL CARTER MARCONI	GRAHAM JENNINGS CROATIA	ARNO BERTOOGNA APIA	VEDRAN ROZIC CROATIA
JOHN FLEMING WOLLONGONG	CLINT GOSLING NEWCASTLE	MIKE COADY OLYMPIC	JOHN CAVANAH NEWCASTLE	ARNO BERTOOGNA APIA	DAVID RATCLIFFE ST GEORGE
STEVE HOSZOWSKI MONARO	GARY MEIER OLYMPIC	MARTYN ROGERS OLYMPIC	JEAN PAUL de MARIGNY SYDNEY CITY	MIKE O'SHEA ST GEORGE	JIM CANT CANBERRA
PETER IRVING NEWCASTLE	BRUCE JAMES MARCONI	WALLY SAVOR CROATIA	GARY PHILLIPS OLYMPIC	ARNO BERTOOGNA APIA	VEDRAN ROZIC CROATIA
DOM KAPETANOVIC CANTERBURY	STEVE WATSON CROATIA	WALLY SAVOR CROATIA	JOHN CAVANAH NEWCASTLE	DAVID RATCLIFFE ST GEORGE	MARIJAN KOVACIC CROATIA
VEDRAN ROZIC CROATIA	ANTHONY FRANKEN CANBERRA	PAUL CARTER MARCONI	MARK BROWN APIA	ARNO BERTOOGNA APIA	DAVID RATCLIFFE ST GEORGE
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MANFRED SCHAEFFER OLYMPIC	CLINT GOSLING NEWCASTLE	PAUL CARTER MARCONI	GRAHAM JENNINGS CROATIA	RAY VLIETSTRA WOLLONGONG	ROBBIE WHEATLEY MARCONI
LES SCHEINFLUG MARCONI	ANTHONY FRANKEN CANBERRA	GERARDO GOMEZ SYDNEY CITY	GRAHAM JENNINGS CROATIA	ARNO BERTOOGNA APIA	VEDRAN ROZIC CROATIA
EDDIE THOMSON SYDNEY CITY	CLINT GOSLING NEWCASTLE	MARTYN ROGERS OLYMPIC	MARK BROWN APIA	ARNO BERTOOGNA APIA	DAVID RATCLIFFE ST GEORGE

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GRAHAM JENNINGS — CROATIA
DAVID RATCLIFFE — ST GEORGE
ARNO BERTOGNA — APIA
PETER RASKOPOULOS — OLYMPIC
AUGUSTO PALACIOS — CANBERRA
ZARKO ODZAKOV — CROATIA
FRANK FARINA — SYDNEY CITY
GRAHAM ARNOLD — CROATIA
ROD BROWN — Marconi

SECOND XI

ANTHONY FRANKEN — CANBERRA
WALLY SAVOR — CROATIA
JOHN CAVANAH — NEWCASTLE
VEDRAN ROZIC — CROATIA
MIKE COADY — OLYMPIC
IVO PETKOVIC — CROATIA
PETER TREDINNICK — MARCONI
TOM McCULLOCH — SYDNEY CITY
MARSHALL SOPER — OLYMPIC
DAVID LOWE — MARCONI
ROBBIE SLATER — BLACKTOWN

COACHES' COACH OF THE YEAR

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| 1) VEDRAN ROZIC — CROATIA | 21 |
| 2) PETER IRVING — NEWCASTLE | 19 |
| 3) EDDIE THOMSON — SYDNEY CITY | 12 |

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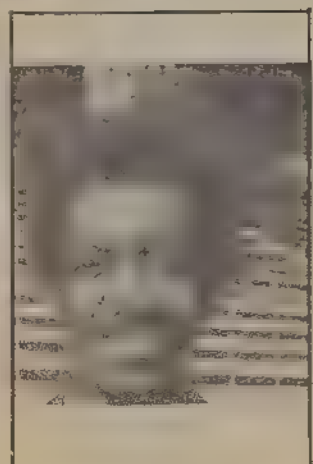


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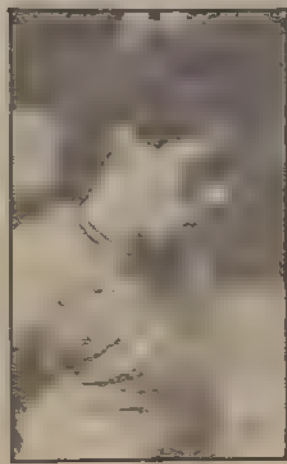
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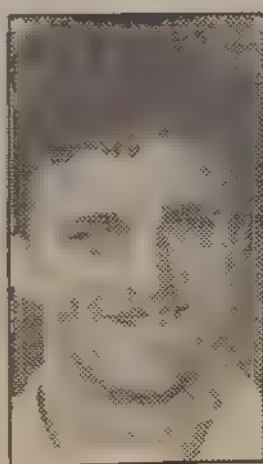
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A PERTINENT VIEWPOINT ON NATIONAL LEAGUE

THE following exchange of correspondence was supplied to AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY by Leichhardt (Sydney) solicitor Anthony Margiotta.

Whilst we recognise the possibility of an increase in standards of football under the latest 14 team NSL proposal, we too have been quite prepared to point to the medium term wars on the scheme, particularly as it affects the cities of Newcastle, Wollongong, Canberra and Brisbane.

We will of course be pressing to build the NSL, and the same applies to the State Leagues which will greatly improve their standards.

Sir Arthur George,
President,
Australian Soccer
Federation
36 Clarence St,
SYDNEY NSW.

Dear Sir,

I am writing to express my disappointment and disapproval at the proposed restructuring of the National Soccer League for next season. It seems to

me that the National Soccer League teams for many years deprived of the right to manage their own affairs, having now obtained that right seek to dismantle a national competition.

A national competition must have at least one team representing areas such as Canberra, Wollongong, Newcastle, Brisbane and Adelaide as well as the Sydney and Melbourne teams.

In the interests of having a strong national competition I would like to suggest a number of alternatives.

The first alternative would be to reduce the number of teams in the Southern and Northern Division by two leaving ten teams in each division. The New South Wales and Melbourne representation would be reduced by two teams each. The four teams to be relegated as the competition now stands would be Canterbury

and Inter Monaro and Melbourne Croatia and Green Gully Ajax.

The second alternative would be to expand on the first alternative and replace Canterbury and Inter Monaro in the Northern Division by the two Brisbane teams. There is always keen rivalry between Sydney and Brisbane supported teams in all codes of football. This would leave eight teams in the Southern Division as Melbourne Croatia and Green Gully Ajax are to be relegated.

Invitations should be extended to Adelaide, Western Australia and Tasmania to enter a team in the Southern Division. For example Adelaide could field three teams, Western Australia two and Tasmania one leaving twelve teams in the Southern Division or Adelaide field three teams and Western Australia one leaving ten teams or Adelaide field three teams and Tasmania one again leaving ten teams in the Southern Division.

finishes last in this group has a play off for promotion with the team that finishes first in Queensland XXXX State League. 10. Newcastle 11. Wollongong 12. Canberra. These regions must always be represented in the National League.

In the case of Newcastle the team that finishes first in the Newcastle League if it fulfils the necessary criteria to gain admission to the National competition, it can then challenge the Newcastle representative e.g. Newcastle Rosebuds for promotion to the National competition.

In the case of Canberra and Wollongong, as teams from both areas compete in the NSW State League e.g. Inter Monaro, Fairy Meadow and Wollongong Macedonia, the team that finishes first from their region in the NSW State League can challenge the team that finishes first in the Illawarra competition for the right to challenge their region's representative in the National League.

The same applies in relation to the Canberra representatives in the NSW State League. Their top team e.g. Inter Monaro can challenge the top team in the Canberra competition for the right to challenge Canberra City in the National League.

The benefit for these regions is that Canberra, Wollongong and Newcastle will always be represented in the National competition.

Their disadvantage is that every year they will face a challenge to their position in the National League from a team from their region.

It is a price that I'm sure each region would be prepared to bear to ensure representation in the National League.

In relation to the Southern Division assuming the following teams comprise the Division:

MELBOURNE: 1. Brunswick Juventus 2. Heidelberg Alexander 3. South Melbourne Hellas 4. Sunshine George Cross 5. Footscray JUST 6. Preston Makedonia. The team that finishes last of this group has a play off for promotion with the team that finishes first in the Melbourne State League. For the first two years there is a play off for promotion then automatic promotion and relegation. This would apply to all regions.

ADELAIDE: 7. Adelaide City 8. Adelaide Hellas 9. Port Adelaide? The team that finishes last of this group has a play off for promotion with the team that finishes first in the Adelaide State League.

PERTH: 10. Azzuri? 11. Perth City? The team that finishes last of this group has a play off for promotion with the

team that finishes first in the Perth State League.

TASMANIA: 12. Ulverstone? The team that finishes first in the Southern League will compete with the team that finishes first in the Northern League to determine who challenges the Tasmanian representative in the National League.

In any one year, there may be promoted to the National League nine new teams representing nine regions e.g. Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth, Tasmania, Sydney, Brisbane, Newcastle, Wollongong and Canberra. There would be more interest in the National League if more teams can enter that competition.

This interest would be reflected in more sponsors being obtained to support Soccer which in due course would lead to more promotion of the National League and Senior and Junior Soccer through television. It would also allow progressive areas e.g. Queensland Gold Coast to seek National League status.

It must always be stressed that for a team to challenge for a position in the National League, it must fulfil certain conditions e.g. it must represent a geographical area, have a football stadium to accommodate a reasonable number of spectators in comfort, have a junior football nursery, have financial security and sponsorship.

It is interesting to note that rival football

MARSHALL SOPER attempts to outpace Nyskohous.

codes e.g. Australian rules and rugby league are considering extending their competitions next year to allow interstate teams to compete in their competitions whereas Soccer is taking steps to dismantle their National League and have in effect a Sydney-Melbourne competition.

A Sydney-Melbourne competition would be of no benefit or interest for anyone particularly the media. A strong National League would ensure a strong senior national team as well as strong Under 19 and Under 16 National teams.

If Brisbane, Adelaide, Newcastle, Can-

berra and Wollongong are not represented in a National League then Senior and Junior Soccer will suffer in Australia.

For example if Brisbane is not represented in any National League their senior and junior players would lose the incentive to play Soccer.

Every Soccer player in Australia must be given the chance to play for their State National League teams and for the Senior and Junior Soccer.

The Soccer participation in the Olympic Games will in time lead to more public awareness and spectator support for the Soccer code and the National League.

If the present administrators of the National League continue to show no foresight or planning and proceed to dismantle the League to a format which in effect comprises a Sydney-Melbourne competition then the teams that choose to be part of that competition should be removed from the National League and be replaced by other teams from the Sydney and Melbourne region.

Teams such as Sutherland and Manly with large junior competitions could take their place in the National League.

The National Competition must not be dismantled, it must be made stronger not weaker for the benefit of all teams, players and supporters throughout Australia.

The Australian Soccer Federation must intervene and ensure that the proposed Sydney-Melbourne competition next year not proceed as it comprises mostly predominantly ethnic supported teams.

Teams which represent geographical areas e.g. Newcastle, Wollongong, Brisbane, Adelaide and Canberra must be included in the National League otherwise the expansion of the Code in this country will be put back many years.



ACTION from the National Grand Final, as Andy Stankovic clears from five Adelaide City attackers.

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THE CITIES REPORT ... the future across the codes

FOR many years the organisation of sport as a major entertainment in Australia stood still.

Yet, with the influx of migration some 30 years ago, Soccer became the innovator.

International matches were well supported, night football was introduced, an Australia-wide Cup came into being and some worthwhile players were imported to improve football standards.

Then the media took a hand in influencing the course of sporting events generally.

The biggest turnaround was the re-packaging of cricket under the influence of the Kerry Packer interests.

A bankrupt sport was transformed into a day and night television spectacle and the course of sports history was completely re-directed.

Sports such as basketball, tennis, Australian rules and rugby league have been vastly upgraded as public entertainment.

Soccer has forged ahead in a number of facets but that original immigration — inspired drive has largely been lost.

Without more support from the Mega-stars of the business and the media worlds the game cannot be put on its proper course.

The National League however has made one tremendous break that has led to the likelihood of a firm base for the League and that is the signing of their new sponsorship deal.

It is a great leap forward and they are to be congratulated on their enterprise.

However the future of Soccer in major cities apart from Melbourne, Sydney and Adelaide is being left to the vagaries of promotion and relegation.

Other codes are planning ahead in major centres.

We set out the drift of rugby league and Australian rules interests in the cities that are out of National League Soccer.

BRISBANE

RULES. A licence to operate in the VFL from 1987 has been granted to the Paul Cronin — QAFL interests. A major ground will be allocated and crowds will skyrocket.

RUGBY LEAGUE. RL interests missed the bus by not entering a team in the NSW competition, relying on holding firm to a few key players who actually wanted to go to Sydney.

The code will remain No.1 in interest but club crowds will remain very low. They are often not comparable with those of basketball.

SOCCER. State league standard only, with an outside chance of reaching the NSL. It remains a pity that a combined Brisbane team could not have been promoted. There should be no joy in the OSF over this situation.

Brisbane Lions and Brisbane City crowds have rarely been acceptable for NSL football. Future playing stan-

dards must be higher and more stable.

NEWCASTLE

RUGBY LEAGUE. The local competition has wilted and the salvation is acceptance into the NSWRL in 1988.

The Newcastle RL is pushing to take over the licensed club at the International Sports Centre and to obtain a 15 year lease of this major ground, which will later have to have the playing area squared off.

SOCCER. Lack of

high class management and division of interests has been a drawback. Resources should be re-planned. The crowd potential in Newcastle is far greater than that of many Sydney NSL clubs if a businesslike situation is promoted.

Being pulled out of the NSL will cut across the competitiveness of Soccer, which was one of the biggest crowd pullers of any code in NSW when it had NBN support and played on the International Sports Centre.

WOLLONGONG

RUGBY LEAGUE. Already in the NSWRL and holding its place.

SOCCER. Wollon-

gong City began with a burst of pride and excellent crowds but fell back when it had to re-organise its financial base.

The Wolves' squad in 1986 was insufficient to enable it to maintain its great early run, but the club is stable, has a good ground and is the centre of a great long-term Soccer area and has huge migrant potential.

It will function well in the NSW State League but it should be building quicker by playing against the major Sydney clubs.

Wollongong has the potential to outdraw all Sydney clubs other than Croatia and Olympic, especially if local Soccer interests will pull together.

CANBERRA

RUGBY LEAGUE. Already in the NSWRL but the club has lost some of its early impetus whilst still remaining strong.

AUSTRALIAN RULES. Strong local competition.

SOCCER. Realistically there is room for one NSL club in a city of this size. As in the other centres, the fragmentation of Soccer interests has caused a loss of entertainment value.

And then there is SYDNEY ... which could find a way to interest the general public if there was major media support.



THE LEAGUE

SYDNEY solicitor Anthony Margiotta is far from impressed over the turn of events that has led to the National Soccer League being transformed into a Melbourne — Sydney affair, to almost all intents and purposes.

He is, from his correspondence, aghast at the forthcoming absence of Canberra, Wollongong, Newcastle and Brisbane from the senior Australian scene.

Since writing he has seen Adelaide City gain inclusion for 1987, but that does nothing to alter the gist of his viewpoint. Nor does the slight change in the finally accepted teams.

The reader does not have to agree with every point that Mr Margiotta raises.

No project has yet turned up which would make the entry of a Perth team feasible.

Only once has a Tasmanian proposition been suggested. It did not reach the light of day and it has never been repeated.

Any successful scheme to include major cities must have a maximum of 20 clubs, so that the league standard can soon be comparable to that of a 14 team league.

Amongst the alternatives that could also crop up is one whereunder Sydney and Melbourne gain four places each, and the other major cities one each.

This could be a strong move towards securing quality football, provided that all clubs re-organise and pull their weight.

When the NSL was first planned there was a distinct move to do without promotion and relegation.

This was the only occasion in recent times that this system has been mooted.

Yes, we all know that the promotion and relegation system is used in most of the world.

At the same time it is no accident that the strongest of winter sports in Australia — Australian rules and rugby league — do not allow scarce resources to split into fragments as Soccer does.

In a monetary sense the "multi-million" dollar Soccer that we know of from Italy, Spain, Britain and West Germany is dwarfed by the expenditures on major American sports and sportsmen.

They also can operate very nicely thank you without splitting up into small clubs, and without moving backwards into some poor spectator and playing facilities.

Perhaps, a few years down the track, the Margiotta document with suitable amendments will be found to supply something towards a fresh starting point.

Meanwhile it could well be argued that the removal of major cities from the NSL will be counter-productive, in spite of the degree of under capitalisation that some have experienced.

The bottom line however is that, the die having been cast due to the inactivity of some clubs, Soccer in Australia must build up its best possible standard on the 14 selected clubs.

All 14 would do well to remember that, at the end of 1987, two of them will find themselves back in State Leagues.

— THE EDITOR



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25th September, 1986.

Mr. A. S. Margiotta,
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Dear Mr. Margiotta,

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 19th instant.

What you state in your first paragraph summarises the position. For many years the National Soccer League teams felt deprived of their rights of independence and were then granted these rights. By a large majority the Clubs approved the new format which was, in turn, approved by the A.S.F. National League Sub-Committee which, in addition to League representatives, had a number of State representatives. One member of the Executive at least objected to the format and predicted that it would result in the present situation.

I repeat, however, that the Clubs, notwithstanding warnings, overwhelmingly voted in the new criteria which was approved by the A.S.F. on the basis that they were expressing the democratic view of the overwhelming majority of the Clubs. It appears that every Club thought it would be one of the fourteen. I can see no other explanation for the vote.

I must say, as one who fought for the establishment of the League, I am disappointed that teams from Brisbane, Newcastle, Wollongong and Canberra are now excluded. On the other hand the system of promotion and relegation, with two clubs being relegated every year, could restore the balance over a short period.

I thank you for your interest and I am passing on your letter and my reply to my Executive.

Yours sincerely,
AUSTRALIAN SOCCER FEDERATION

ARTHUR GEORGE
President



CHRIS KALANTZIS is left helpless as an Adelaide City defender robs him of possession in the second leg National Grand Final.

THE QUEENSLAND REPORT

With Greg Russell

IT'S GREAT TO FEEL WANTED

QUEENSLAND Director of Coaching and Australian Under 16 coach, Bruce Stowell, is set for a busy few months.

The former Pan Hellenic Rothmans Gold Medal winner, who has been in the Sunshine State for three years, will travel around Australia and overseas as the demands for his excellent coaching skills grow.

Stowell's prime concern will be with Vic Dalgleish and the Australian Under 16 team. The squad will go into camp at Parklea in November to prepare for the Oceania qualifying games in Taipei in November.

Stowell was an integral part of the under 16's fine showing in China last year and is looking

to match that effort. But he has no illusions about how difficult it will be to qualify.

"I am sure we have the players to get us to Canada for the World titles, but the conditions in Taipei will be very foreign and everything hinges on how quickly we can adapt," Stowell said.

Apart from his national team commitment, Stowell has a wide range of courses both at home and interstate to attend and run.

This month at Perry Park Stowell has conducted a fitness for Soccer weekend and a level three coaching course.

STOWELL IN BIG DEMAND

In November, Stowell will travel to Canberra for a level four course and a State Directors of Coaching course.

And, early in January, he will be a guest coach at a level three course being conducted by Victorian Tim White, a former Queenslander, who coached in Townsville.

Stowell, who previously has "guested" in NSW, Western Australia and Northern NSW, also has a coaching course in his former home town of Gosford in late January.

"I have pencilled my

wife in for two days in February," said Stowell jokingly.

But, the demand for him to attend courses is a reflection of his ability and underlines why he was offered a five-year contract by the Queensland Soccer Federation. He began to repay that when he guided the Maroons to a 1-0 win over NSW this year.

"I think it is good for coaches in Australia to get around because different people have different ideas and we all can learn something more," Stowell said.



BRUCE STOWELL
... hectic time.

BIG XXXX

THE Queensland XXXX State League is shaping up as a particularly strong competition for 1987.

Whilst Brisbane Lions have been looking to the chance of filling a vacancy in the West End NSL, the potential drop outs seem to be surviving.

Heidelberg is holding on grimly in spite of their losses and Sydney City has been saved from finishing up by a \$250,000 1987 grant from the plucky Hakoah club in Sydney's Eastern Suburbs.

SOCCER HELPS

CHARITY was the big winner at a special Soccer day held at Acacia Ridge in Brisbane.

The M.A.C.H. 1 centre for handicapped people received a welcome financial boost from the promotion, which saw some of Queensland's best players give their services for free.

The Soccer Day, organised by the Acacia Ridge club, witnessed a Brisbane select side take on a team of past and present Ridge players.

The select team included Lions' NSL stars Danny Wright, Russell Stewart and Davey Richardson along with Brisbane City's Kieran Cooper and XXXX League leading lights Dave Wheeler and Mark Atmore.

The ball is now very much in the QSF Management Committee's court.

Ridge players Steve Jackson, David Hunter and Rob Farrow (all now Lions), Brad Ryan (Easts), Steve Donald (Rosedale) and Mick Gerritsen (Sunnyside). They teamed with current Ridge stars including Roy Smith, Norm Bell and Ian Proud.

After an exciting and open game, the Ridge scored a 2-1 victory.

In the earlier game the Media played its annual challenge against the referees.

The media, who led 2-0 at half time, staged off a spirited finish from the men in black to win the annual challenge 4-3.

Gold Coast referee and NSL linesman Peter Hulme finished with a hat-trick.

SUNNYSIDE LOOKING ON BRIGHT SIDE

BRISBANE Croatian club, Sunnyside United, is making a bold bid to be included in the Queensland Soccer Federation's XXXX League.

Sunnyside currently plays in the QSF's Intermediate League, the division below the XXXX League which is the State's Premier Division and Sunnyside only avoided by one place relegation back into the amateur ranks this season.

But the club has secured a new sponsor in CSR Gyprock and believes it now has the funds to build a strong side.

"We will be buying at

least three new players including possibly one from the continent," Sunnyside secretary John Mesic, said.

"We have much to offer and should be included in the XXXX League."

Sunnyside were one of the real losers in the restructuring of the QSF three years ago. Although the club finished mid-table in the top division, it was not included in the newly formed Premier League.

It was the first time the club had ever been relegated and a major blow for the Croatian supporters.

"If the QSF saw it as fair to relegate us then, why can't they put us back in the top division now?" Mesic appealed.

Sunnyside's application has thrown a new light on the make-up of the 1987 XXXX League.

With the return of the two NSL sides, and

Lions already having XXXX League representation, the QSF has been left with 11 clubs in its top division. To avoid a bye, a new club must be found.

It had generally been considered the Gold Coast would be the new addition.

But, there has been a groundswell of opinion against Gold Coast going into Brisbane. Many feel the holiday strip should "do its time" in the Intermediate League first before gaining a place in the State's Premier competition.

GRAND FINAL FEVER AT NEWCASTLE



On their way up to receive the Runners-up medals following the Northern NSW State First Division Grand Final are West Wallsend's Brett Cowburn and goalkeeper Craig Grills.

Gary Fairlie, captain of the Cessnock Hornets, receives the Northern NSW State Second Division Grand Final trophy from the divisional manager of Tooheys Ltd Mr David Williams.

Mr David Williams, the regional manager for Tooheys Ltd, presents the Belmont-Swansea captain, Neville Power, with the Grand Final trophy following their victory over West Wallsend.

Pictured prior to the kick off in this year's Northern NSW State First Division Grand Final are referee officials John Caban, Alf Rodway, Neil Jones and Rob Davies. This game was Alf Rodway's last fixture before hanging up his boots.



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MEXICO WORLD CUP 1986



1986 IN REVIEW



AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY is proud to produce this eight page pictorial lift-out in our final 1986 bumper issue.

We thought it appropriate to relive much of the season just passed and all the blood, sweat, tears, agony and ecstasy that came from it.

For many it was a year to remember for others it was one to forget but for sheer excitement

around the globe Soccer hasn't had it as good for such a long time.

We shift our thoughts back to the Mexican World Cup where Diego Maradona, moreover Argentina triumphed with true South American skill, we look at the just completed NSL season and the award winners from it, we can't forget the Socceroos — their brilliant end of 1985 and the rebuilding going on now and also those magnificent men from the '74 Socceroo machine — memories aplenty came flooding back on the day of their re-union at the Parramatta Stadium.

We sincerely hope you enjoy our 1986 PhotoFile.



AROK SAYS 'NO'



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CANBERRA CITY IN UPROAR



WORLD CUP FEVER



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SLICKERS SLIDE?



BRAZIL WANTS LAMOND



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SOCCEROO 'CZECH' MATE



OIL DOLLARS - ALLAN JONES TO KUWAIT

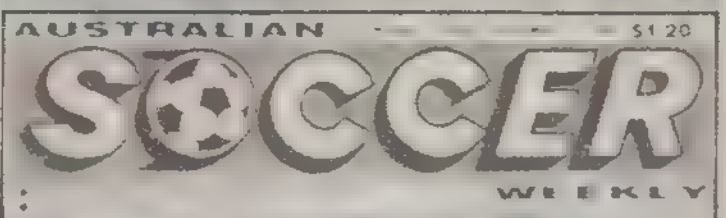
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ASW's tribute to Sydney Crooks See page 5



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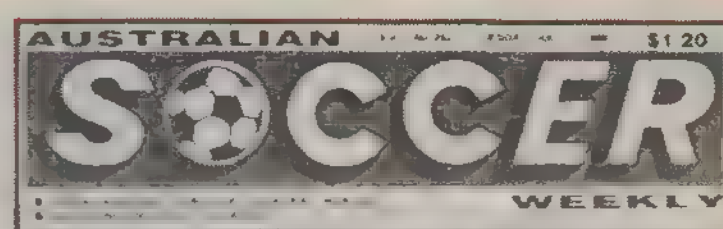
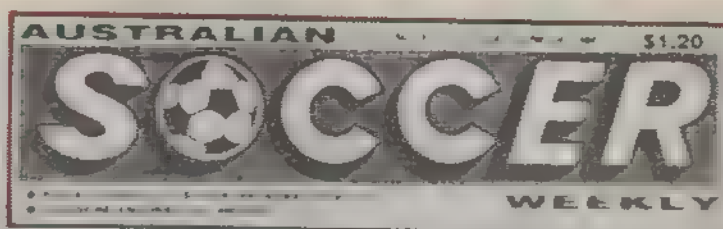


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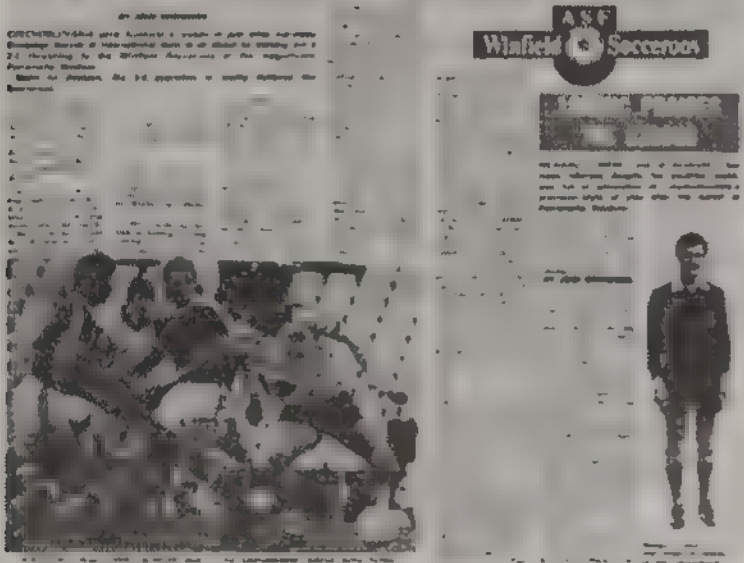
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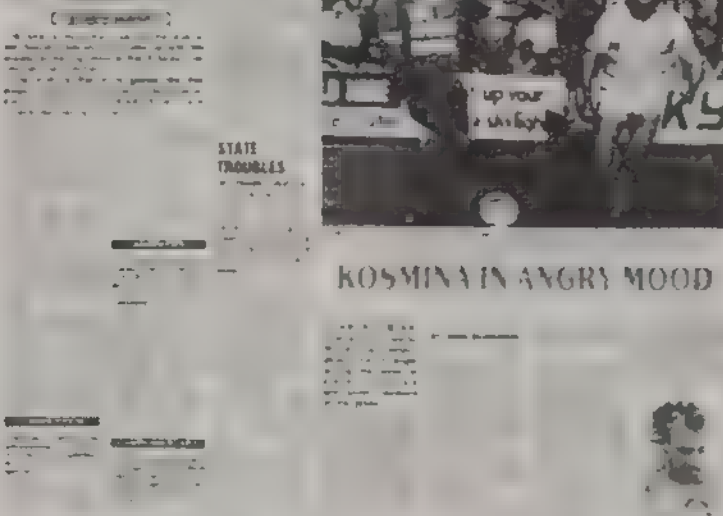
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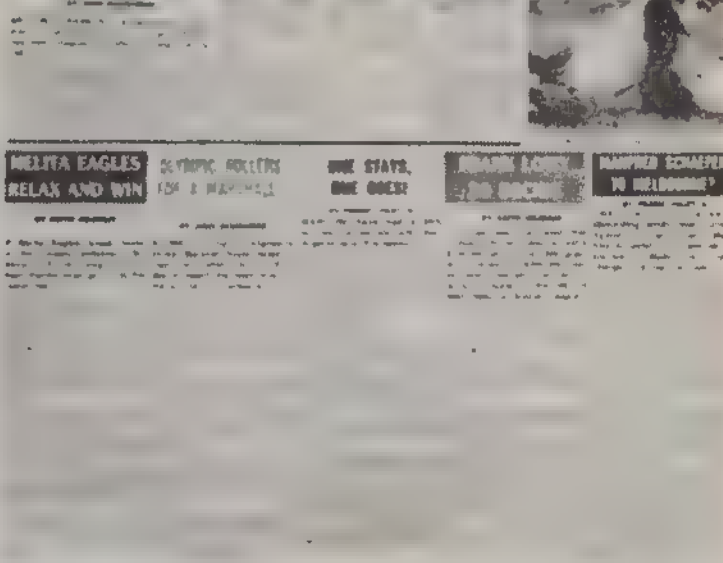
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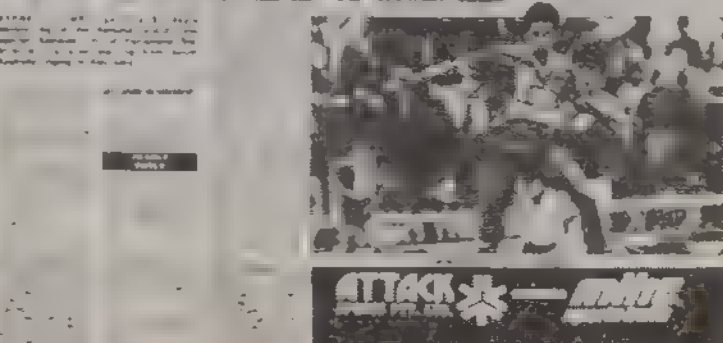


SLATER CAN SEEK HIS OWN TERMS

NSL'S PARRAMATTA STADIUM SHOWDOWN ON SUNDAY



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NSL'S PARRAMATTA STADIUM SHOWDOWN ON SUNDAY



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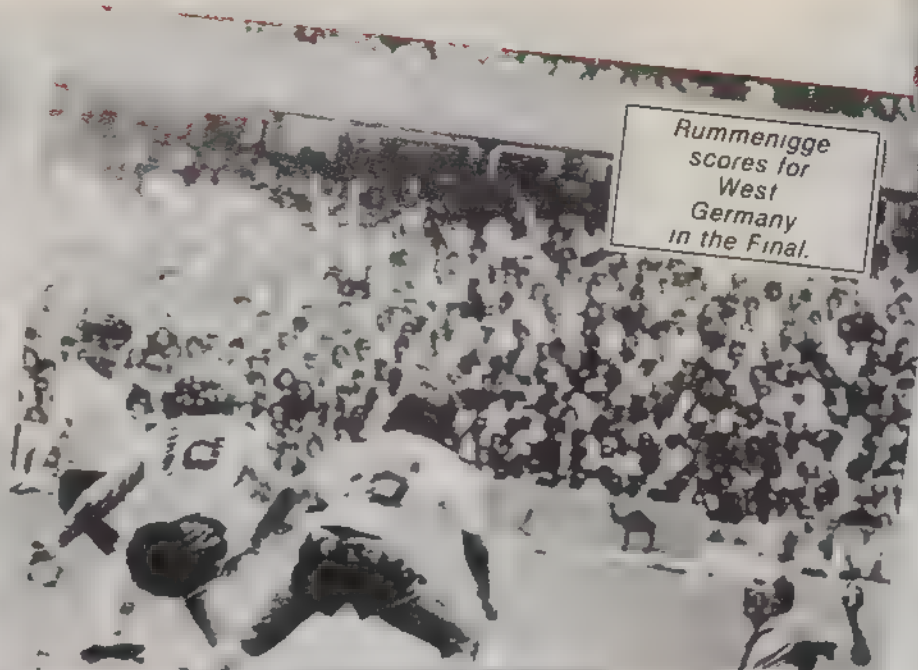
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MEXICO 86



Mexico's goalkeeper Pablo Larios saves against West Germany.



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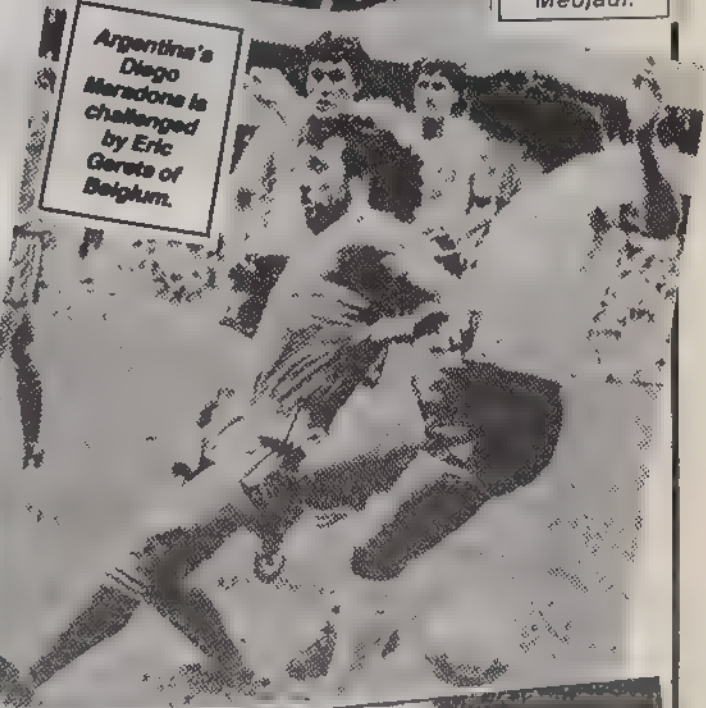
Brazil's Junior rides a tackle from Algeria's Abdellah Medjani.



West Germany's Lothar Matthaeus foils Mexico's Manuel Negrete.



Gary Lineker is embraced after scoring for England.



Argentina's Diego Maradona is challenged by Eric Gerets of Belgium.



Vasily Rats (USSR) skips away from Philippe Deemer (Belgium).



Absolute Agony! Maxime Bossis and Michel Platini of France hold their heads in despair after the former had missed an open goal.



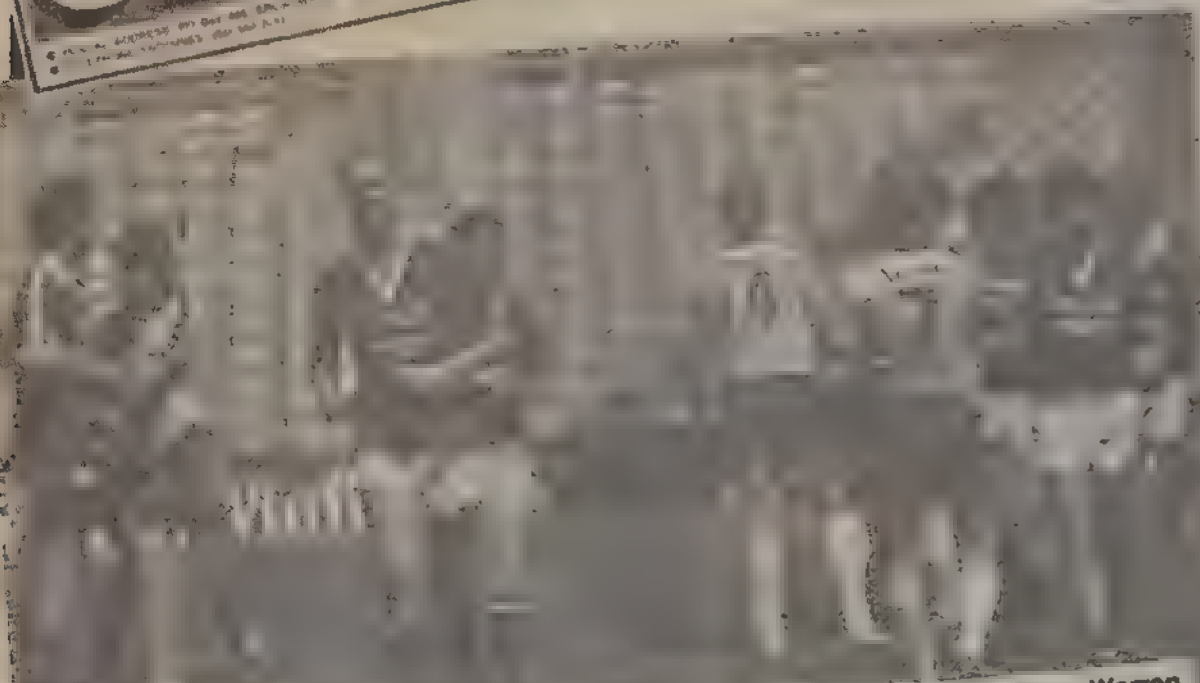
South Korea's Kim Young-Se trips Diego Maradona.



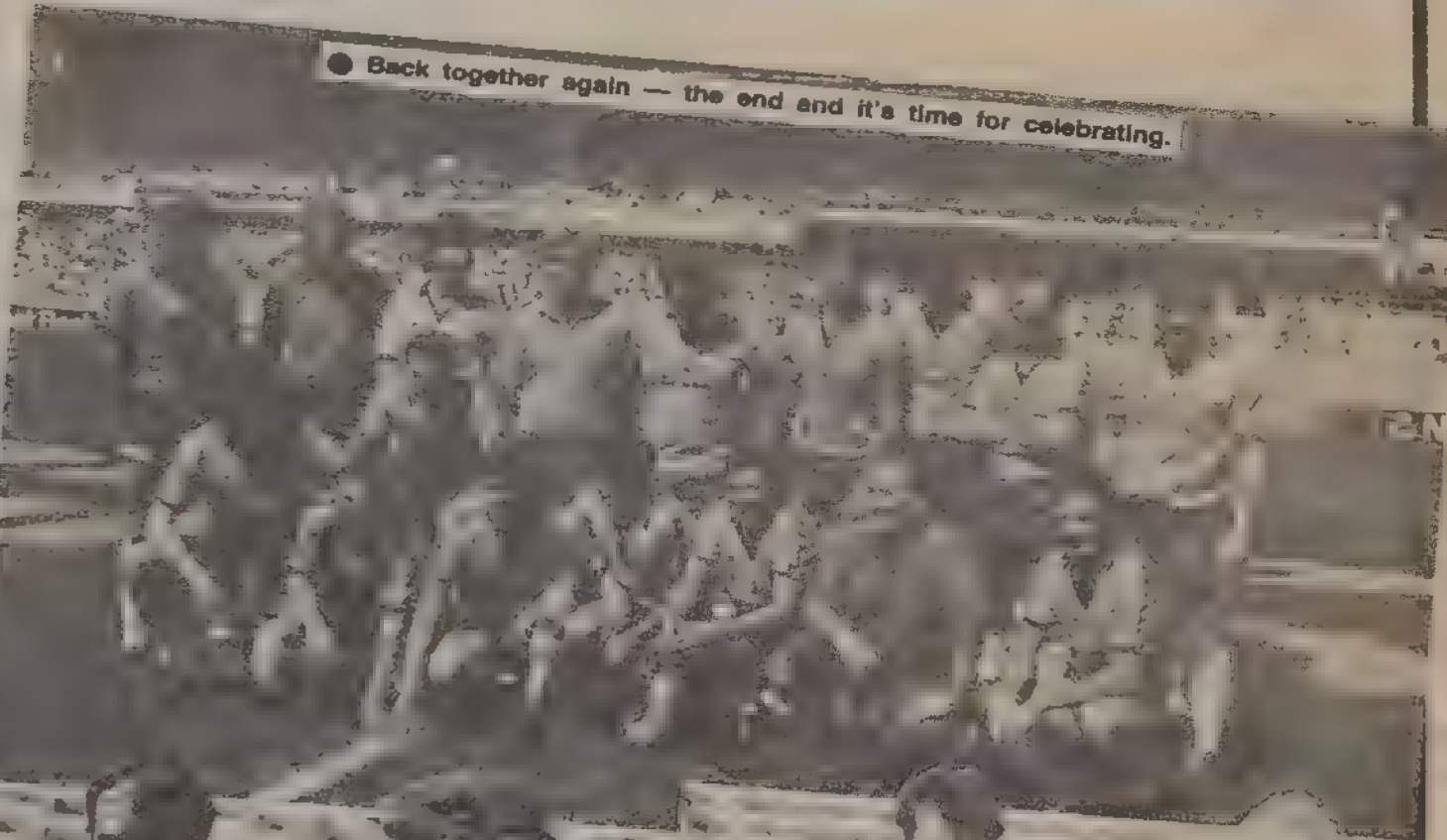
For a month this year the world over was treated to some of the finest football ever during the 1986 World Cup Final in Mexico. As ever there was the inevitable dose of agony and ecstasy. For Argentina and Diego Maradona it was the latter. The others played themselves. This page relives some of the many memories of the FIESTA in Mexico.



Those Golden Glory Days



● It's all over and the respective players shake hands, from left: Pozo, Warren, Cockerill, Gatt (obscured), Tolson, Mackay, Coletta (obsc), Galati, Jameson and Stead.



● Back together again — the end and it's time for celebrating.



● Danger! Allan Maher and Jimmy Mackay look very concerned as Neil Jameson charges in!



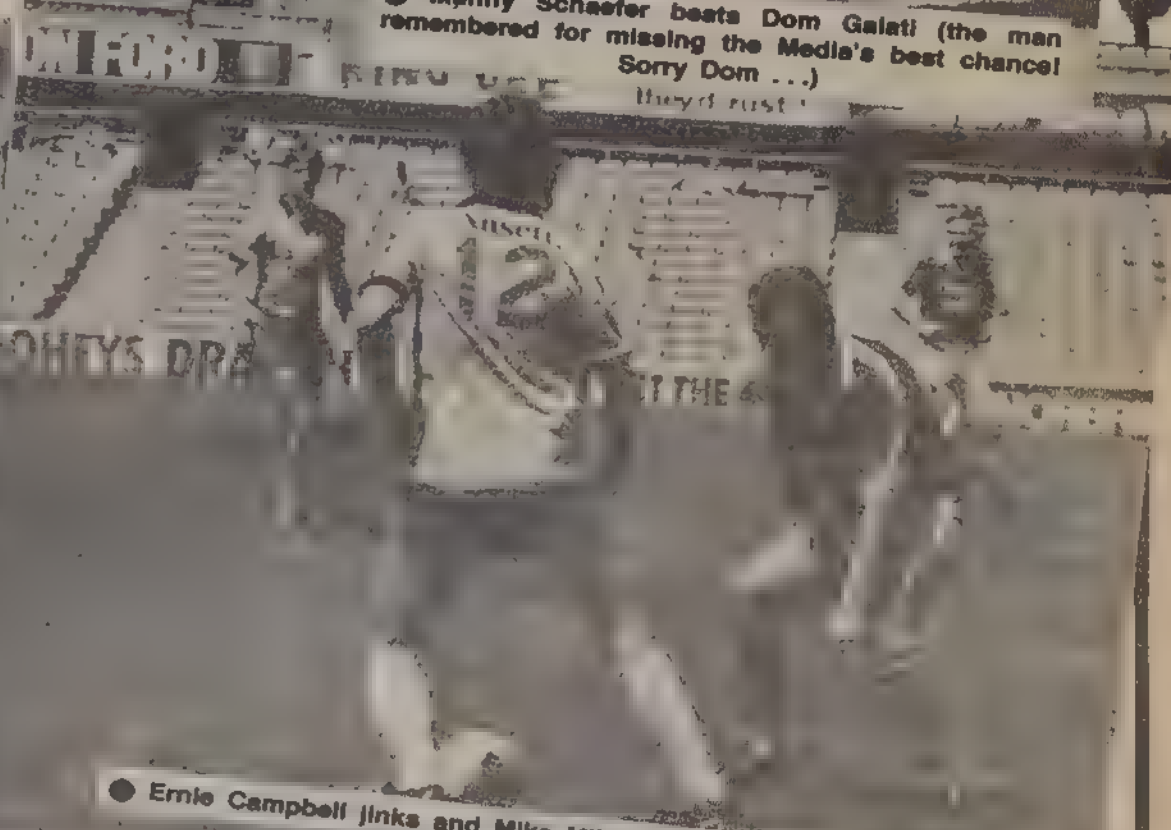
● Branko Buljevic and Alex Paton.



● Manny Schafer beats Dom Galati (the man remembered for missing the Media's best chance! Sorry Dom ...)



● More handshakes and congratulations after the final whistle.



● Ernie Campbell jinks and Mike Mikolaczuk closes him down.



● The whole subside comes together for a team photo.

WE at ASW were proud to be associated with the reuniting of the great 1974 Socceroos. Parramatta Stadium played host to a terrific occasion and many old tales were relived on that sunny Sunday. The heroes of '74 came together once more to face the Australian Soccer Media . . . all we can say is enjoy the montage from the match!

A YEAR WITH THE SOCCEROOS...



□ v New Zealand 1986. Jeff Oliver saves in Auckland during the 1-1 draw.



□ v Czechoslovakia 1986. Chris Kalantzis holds a bevy of Czechs at bay during the 0-3 loss at Parramatta Stadium.



□ v Czech. 1986. Graham Arnold rides a tackle from a defender in Melbourne.



□ v Czech. 1986. John Kosmina in attack for the Socceroos.



□ v Scotland 1985. Alan Davidson pursues Frank McAvennie in Melbourne.



□ v Czech. 1986. Jan Kulak disposes Kalantzis.

THE Socceroos have done Australia proud over the last year. First there was the World Cup qualifiers where we siammed Israel and Oceania including our nemesis — New Zealand and then came so close against Scotland. Then there was the experimental series against the Czechs where we were taught so much and finally once again our Tasman friends we met once more.

□ v Czech. 1986. David Ratcliffe is beaten to a header in Melbourne.

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National League File



☆ Andy Stankovic (front) is joined by Adelaide City's Charlie Villani and Buggy Nyskohous in the National Grand Final.

☆ Buggy Nyskohous holds aloft the National League Trophy as Adelaide City down Sydney Olympic.

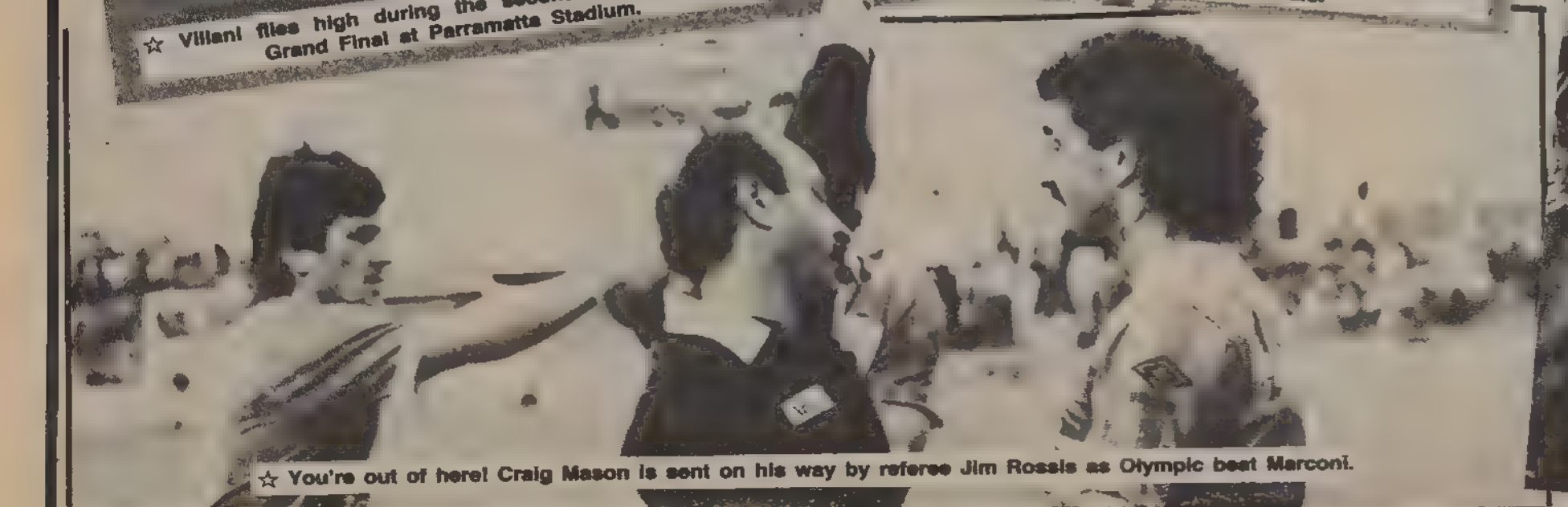


☆ Villani flies high during the second leg of the Nat. Grand Final at Parramatta Stadium.

☆ Willie McNally prepares to collect from the high-flying Chris Kalantzis.



☆ McNally saves in Adelaide during the first leg.



☆ You're out of here! Craig Mason is sent on his way by referee Jim Rossie as Olympic beat Marconi.

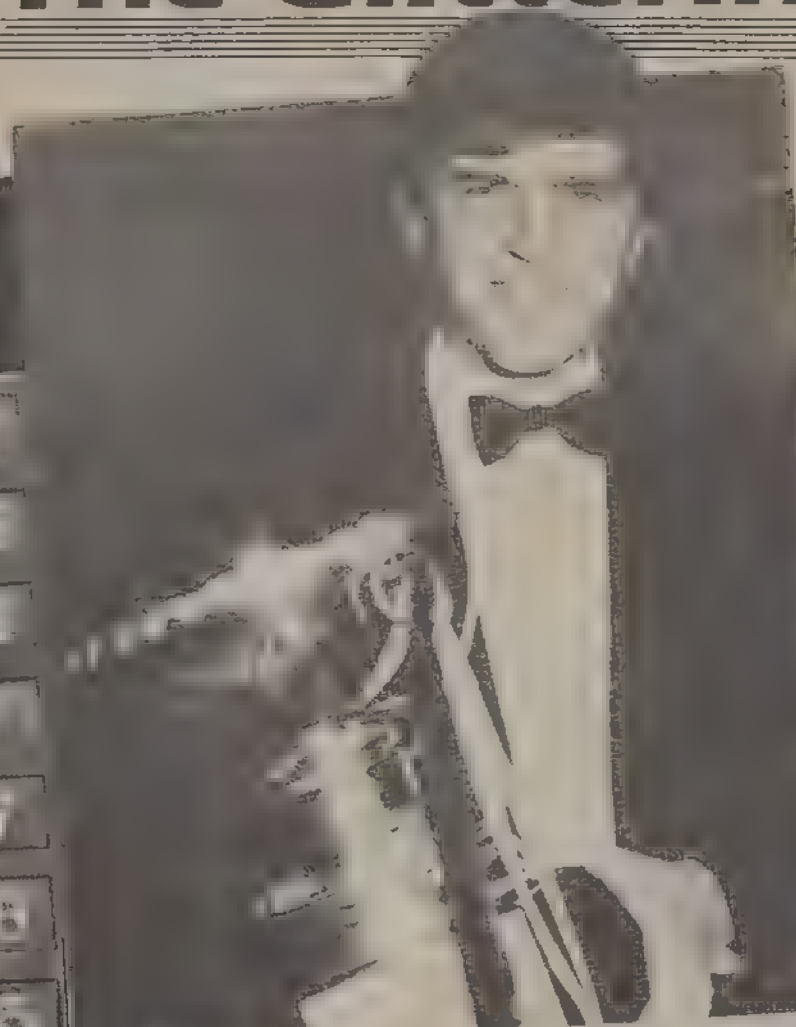


☆ Ian Gray and Robbie Hooker during the epic Marconi-Sydney City semi-final.

This year's Olympic Airways Soccer League had its moments. The inevitable blood, sweat and tears but it also brought about a class of play that delighted the supporters of Soccer in this country. 1986 culminated in victory for the ball-playing Adelaide City Juventus who toppled the enigmatic Sydney Olympic in the two-legged final — we relive some of this year on this page.

The Glittering Awards

★ Brett Woods — NSW Rothmans Medal Winner.



★ Zoran Matic at the NSL ASPA Dinner with the National Trophy.



★ NSW ASPA Player of the Year — Graham Arnold is joined by ASPA members.



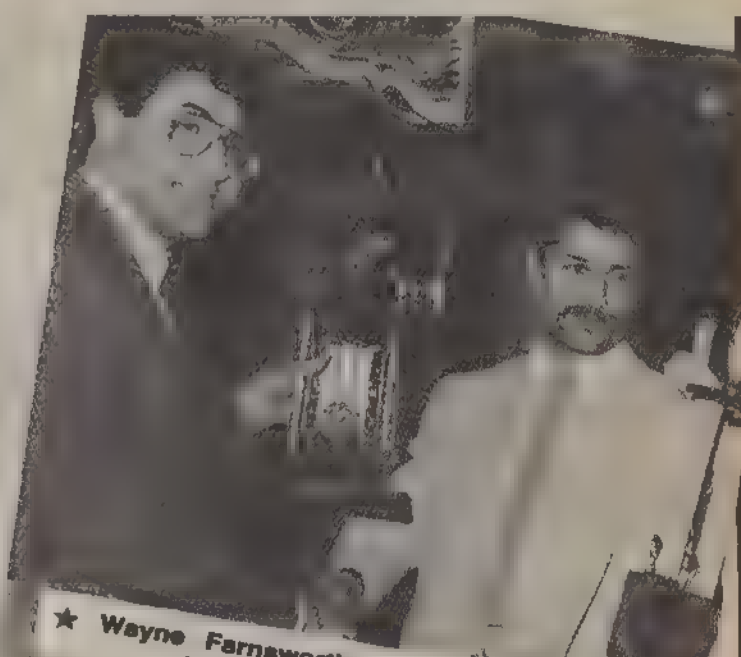
★ Ernie Tapal — U/21 Player of the Year and Most Entertaining Player of the Year.



★ Bobby Russell — National Rothmans Medal winner.



★ Graham Arnold is acclaimed National Player of the Year and Terry Greedy applauds.



★ Wayne Farnworth (right) — Under 21 NSW Player of the Year.



★ From left — Frank Coletta (ASW), Tony Basic (Syd. Croatia Press), Graham Arnold (Nat. ASPA winner), Keith Gilmour (ASW), Vedran Rozic (ASW Coach of the Year), John Economos (ASW) and Ray Gatt (Syd. Morning Herald) at the National Dinner.



★ NSW Rothmans Medal Winner Brett Woods is joined by ASW staff members.

ASW salutes the victorious players from the 1986 season. The winners of the many and various awards presented this year. In our photo file we look at the National ASPA dinner, the NSW ASPA night and the various Rothmans' Medals.

STATE LEAGUE ROUND UP

GREAT SEASON FOR SECOND DIVISION

THIS year Yugal won the NSW Second Division, with close competition coming from Gladesville-Hornsby, Kingsford Hellenic and North Bankstown.

Gladesville-Hornsby took out the final with a 1-0 win over North Bankstown, in addition to which they won the club championship.

The Umbro Shield was contested pre-season and Kingsford Hellenic came in as winners. Next season former

Australia international Joe Watson will be in charge at Kingsford.

Elaine Kellett, the Second Division sub-committee secretary, reports that the Northern Districts Sports Store Trophy was donated by Bill and Pam Cullinan for the Player of the Year.

North Bankstown's Robbie Thomson was the winner with 32 points.

Second place produced a three-way tie between C. Stuart (Dee Why), M. Hanley (Artarmon) and T. Gibbs (Blacktown United).

— KEITH GILMOUR

PARRAMATTA'S NAME NEEDS AN AIRING

BY KEITH GILMOUR

AS an avid admirer of the forceful and clever administration of NSW State League premiers Melita Eagles, I stand amazed at their dropping the Parramatta district from their name.

Melita became 'Parramatta Melita Eagles' whilst in the National Soccer League, but were quick to snap the city connection when they reverted to the NSW competition.

It is easy to understand that a group is so proud of their country or origin.

At the same time, when settled for so long in Australia, it is difficult to credit the speed at which the name of one of Australia's earliest places of settlement

and major centres was dropped.

Parramatta City Council came to their assistance to provide funds towards Melita Stadium improvement.

The work that club members have put in is remarkable.

The club has an excellent following by State League standards but it will not be exceptional unless it receives additional support from the community at large.

Recently Parramatta rugby league and union teams were honoured by mayor Alan Hyam for their success in 1986.

Melita is in the area and were Soccer winners, but they were not included in the event.

Soccer can ill afford to have clubs such as ambitions Melita hiding their light behind a bushel.

Perhaps it would be advantageous to reconsider the position.

BIG BROTHER MOVEMENT DESERVES A BIG HAND

WRITES ALAN VEST
NSW COACHING
DIRECTOR

ONCE again the Big Brother Movement has awarded scholarships to many young people through NSW and Soccer has again got its share.

At a function on Wednesday night at the Sydney club the Movement's President Mr Jock McCausland, who is also an executive member of the NSW Soccer Federation, announced this year's winners.

Soccer received five scholarships this year with each successful boy receiving \$3000 towards his air fare to the UK, accommodation and expenses during his stay at a top club.

On Sunday November 2, two of the scholarship winners, Jeff Allport and Jamie Warren flew

out for a spell with glamorous Manchester United.

In January, after their European tour with the NSW schoolboy team, Chris Ackerley and David Scott will be joining Aberdeen for their stint.

Already Stephane Jee, who received a part scholarship, has been to Southampton.

It is a marvellous opportunity for these young players to spend time at these great clubs and the big Brother Movement should be congratulated for its generous awards.

The clubs involved in the UK have also been tremendously co-opera-

tive and the boys who spent time last year at Tottenham, Aberdeen and Luton, Alex Cummings, Paul Jones, Mineo Bonetig, Adam Carroll, David Barrett, Antoine Avelino, Paul Quarumby and Michael Lardis, had a marvellous time and an experience they will remember for a long time.

ROMANIAN INTERNATIONAL STRIKES

CONSTANTINE Dragomirescu, aged 31, a Romanian international, has come to Australia to make this country his home.

Born on March 5



CONSTANTIN DRAGOMIRESCU

1955, Dragomirescu played the last six games this year in the Sydney Amateur League with the Australian Romanian Soccer Club.

In those six matches, the international striker scored 15 goals.

A professional player for eight years in the Romanian first division league, Dragomirescu continued for another four years in the second division.

As an international striker, he was capped

16 times by his country as well as, representing Romania five times in the Olympic team.

Playing for F.C. Baia Mare, Dragomirescu appeared against Italy, Real Madrid and other top European sides.

In first division, he played 223 matches and scored 140 goals.

A total sportsman, Dragomirescu, a non-drinker or smoker, jogs daily to keep in top shape.

— JOHN ECONOMOS

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THE ULVERSTONE side — they took the 1986 Tasmanian State Championship north.

— VAN DIEMEN

INTER BATTLING AGAINST

INTER MONARO Soccer club may have played its last game if rescue operations, currently being mounted, fail.

The annual meeting on November 16 will be the deadline for some form of acceptable plan to save the relegated NSL side, which has debts of \$50,000.

If none is forthcoming, the only alternative will be voluntary liquidation and the end of the club — at least in its present form.

Inter Monaro is now an independent limited company and can no longer rely on its debts being paid by the Marco Polo Social and Sporting club of Queenbeyan.

Marco Polo secretary-manager Tony O'Mara said that while his club could still be looked upon as a major sponsor of Monaro, it was no longer a guarantor of its debts.

"We have a responsibility to our members to also spend money on facilities and on the other sports we support," he said.

"There are a number of possibilities. We are trying to find people to serve on a board to take over the affairs of Inter Monaro. If this cannot be done it will appoint a caretaker, who will have to dispose of its assets —

basically the players.

"This could be done by transferring them in a piecemeal fashion or by looking for an individual or syndicate who would be willing to take over Monaro as a going concern.

"It could be quite an attractive proposition. We have a ground beside the Marco Polo club which will be ready with spectator facilities next season.

"And, even though it is now separate, the Marco Polo club still has a moral obligation to support Soccer in the area."

O'Mara and Monaro secretary Maria Florian laid the blame for the club's plight firmly at the door of the NSL administrators.

"Our problems are similar to those faced by a number of other clubs who had been members of the NSL — ridiculous transfer fees, the high cost of affiliation, coupled with falling attendances which I admit was largely brought about by our poor performance on the field," Florian said.

"But, what did we get for our NSL affiliation

ODDS

FROM GRAHAM COOK

fee of \$27,000? The promotion and marketing side of the league was very poor. We did not get value for money.

"We approached a potential sponsor and asked him for \$30,000, but unless he is a Soccer nut he will see that his money is best spent elsewhere."

Inter Monaro, formed in 1967, has spent most of its history as a member of either the ACT or NSW State Leagues, but in 1985 joined the NSL.

After a reasonably successful first year it finished bottom of the northern division at the end of the just completed season and was relegated.

It has been awarded a place in the newly formed NSW Super League, but whether it takes this up must be in doubt at least until the November annual meeting.

Ironically, one of its major creditors are the players themselves, many of whom are owed varying amounts in unpaid wages.

Florian said that only midfielder Atti Carbone had made a request for a

END OF SEASON HIGHLIGHTS FROM JOHN TSCHEPPEA AND 'VAN DIEMEN'



KEN MORTON, Olympia-WPL Pepsi Youth team player-coach with Paul Tsangaris, Nick Padas and Jim Patimotis.



A GROUP photograph of the Northern Hon-eychurch Premier League representative side. Rothmans Award player Collin Guest is third from the left, front row.



DAVID WALLACE, chairman of the Tasmanian Soccer Association, after presenting the Pepsi Youth League championship trophy to Nick Padas of Olympic — WPL.

transfer. He wanted to return to the Sydney area.

However, the club

had already decided to place midfielder Ian Wotherspoon and utility player John Walsh on

the transfer list.

The size of their fees would be decided at the annual meeting

although in the meantime Inter Monaro would consider any offers.

SOPHISTICATED MARKETING IS THE AIM FOR CANBERRA

THE Downer Olympic Soccer club could no longer bear the cost of running Canberra City alone, City secretary Taso Samios said.

FROM GRAHAM COOK

Moves were being made to return the club, relegated from the NSL at the end of the season, to the ACT community.

This was necessary, not only to lighten the burden on Downer, but to explode the damaging myth that City was in some way the exclusive property of one ethnic group.

"We must have a broader based club," Mr

Samios said. "Downer has tried hard to make Canberra City a success and spent a lot of money in the process. The strain on its resources is too high, so we are looking at ways of offering the club to the people of Canberra.

"We want to see the highest possible standard of Soccer played in the area. That means

NSW State League next year with a return to the NSL the eventual aim."

Details of the plan are still being worked out, and will be announced at a special general meeting of Downer Olympic on November 9. However, it seems likely that the ACT's Soccer community, with the present senior league clubs at the forefront, are going to be asked to unite behind Canberra City.

In the past four years, Downer has spent around \$600,000 over and above the income generated by Canberra City.

"If that money had been invested in the club we would have had a palace here by now," Mr Samios said.

While City has now been relegated from the national competition, he pointed out that playing in the NSW State League will not be much cheaper.

"We still have to travel to Sydney; there will be four extra matches; the youth team will continue. Only the affiliation fee will be less."

He believes that with a more sophisticated marketing approach Soccer in Canberra could return to the days when attendances at the Bruce Stadium were measured in the thousands, not hundreds.

"Look at the Sydney

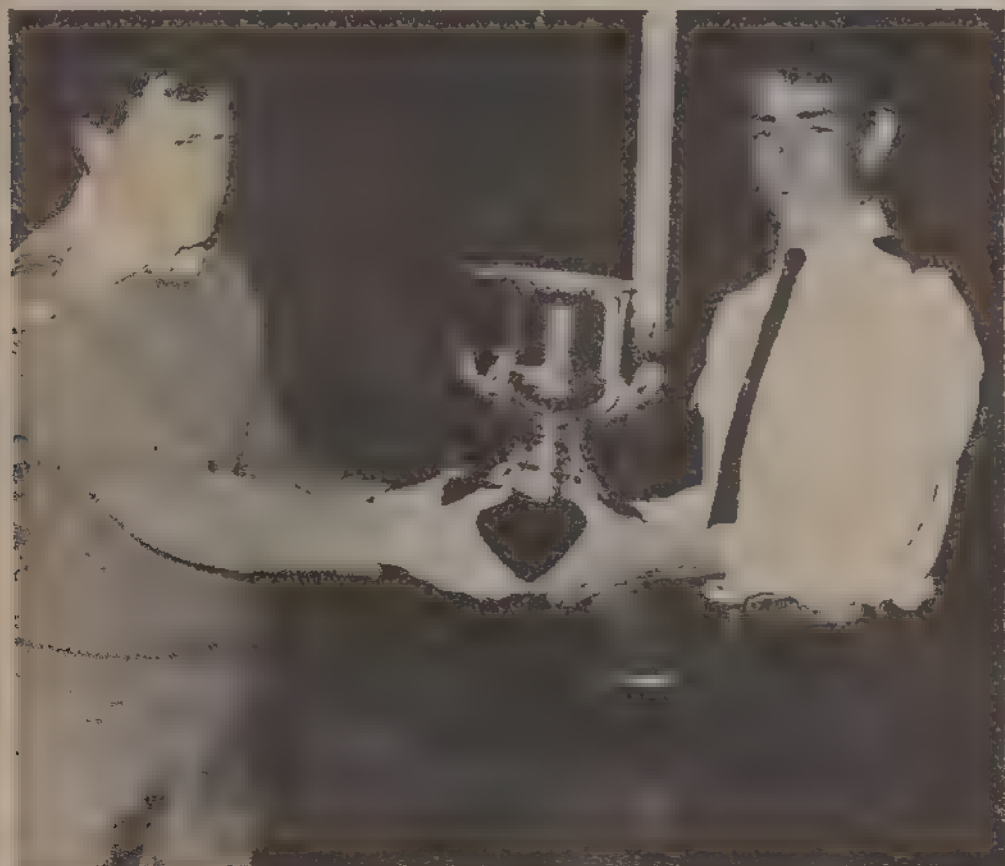
Swans, which have taken Aussie Rules crowds from 1,000 to 40,000. You can't make me believe that all those extra people are rules fans. They are there because they are being entertained."

He confirmed that moves to mount a legal challenge to the NSL's decision to relegate City and nine other clubs had been dropped because there was very little response from the others involved.

An application to play in the NSW Super League had been lodged under the name of Canberra City, dropping the "Olympians" from the title.

The team will continue to use Bruce Stadium. "We have looked at alternatives, specifically Hawker Oval, but while the size is better there would be a great deal of money needed to bring the facilities up to standard," Mr Samios said.

Of last year's team, only goalkeeper and player of the year Tony Franken has definitely gone, although some of the older members might be expected to retire or seek a less demanding level of Soccer. "However, Mike Black has produced a very good youth team for us and I would expect a number of those players to be in the senior squad," Mr Samios concluded.



NSW captain M. Perrin receives the trophy from the RAAF Administrative Staff Officer after his team won the Australian Combined Services Soccer Championships.

NATIONAL INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE

Saturday, 8th November:

Melbourne Eliminators	v	Brisbane Natra Bombers
Buffalo Mets	v	Mackay Monarchs
Melbourne Eliminators	v	Mackay Monarchs
Ansett Stars	v	Brisbane Natra Bombers

Sunday, 9th November:

Buffalo Mets	v	Brisbane Natra Bombers
Ansett Stars	v	Mackay Monarchs

Saturday, 15th November:

First Semi-Final 1 v 4
Second Semi-Final 2 v 3

Sunday, 16th November:

GRAND FINAL

THE WOMEN'S SOCCER SCENE

NSW WOMENS SOCCER FEDERATION

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

BENIGNS

WINNERS — Gladesville-Hornsby "2"
RUNNERS-UP — Gladesville-Hornsby "1"

U17

WINNERS — Gladesville-Hornsby
RUNNERS-UP — Bankstown

U15

WINNERS — Bankstown
RUNNERS-UP — St George

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

SENIOR

WINNERS — FAIRFIELD OLYMPIC
RUNNERS-UP — EPPING EASTWOOD

U18

WINNERS — Wentworth Waratahs
RUNNERS-UP — Bankstown Lions

U14

WINNERS — Mount Pritchard
RUNNERS-UP — Wentworth Waratahs

WSL 1ST GRADE TABLE (FINAL)

Forest United	15	13	2	0	77:9	28
Parramatta City	15	10	0	5	36:24	20
Putney Town	15	8	2	5	67:17	18
Chipping Norton	14	7	3	5	22:19	17
Manly-Warringah	15	2	2	11	11:58	6
Girraween United	15	0	1	14	6:92	1

WSL 1st Grade Cup Results 1986
ROUND 1
Forest United J. Dolan 2, C. Heydon v Putney Town J. Riddington 2, C. Vinson, M. Langlar 3-4, Manly-Warringah S. Broughton 2 v



ALAN LYTTON ... NSW coach.

Parramatta City J. Hebb 3 2-3. Chipping Norton D. Carmody 4, S. Young, J. Wheeler v Girraween United 6-0.

Forest United qualified for the semi-finals on the basis of results in League matches against other first round losers.

NSW WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

IT seems that Sydney's Women Soccer League and the eventual winners have an uncanny reciprocal connection.

Since 1983 when the elite of Sydney's Women Soccer teams organised their top league the competition and the winners were called: 1983 Metropolitan League — Arncliffe Scots, 1984 Metropolitan League — Arncliffe Scots, 1985 NSW State League — Forest Rangers, 1986 Women's Soccer League — Forest United.

All these names, though, for the people involved in women's Soccer, means one thing.

The Forest United team under different names but basically the same players dominated Sydney's women's Soccer in those four years of the Sydney elite league and won all four premierships titles.

This year Forest United won the "double", the WSL premierships and Cup, with the reserve team winning the premiership and were runners-up in the cup.

Parramatta City were runners-up in the WSL

SEMI-FINAL

Putney Town J. Riddington 2 v Chipping Norton F. Huntington 2-1 aet. Parramatta City L. Mudie, S. Coughley v Forest United, J. Dolan, C. Bradley 2-2 aet. Forest won on penalties 6-5.

and Putney Town runners-up in the cup in the first grade, while Putney Town reserves were runners-up in the WSL second grade premiership and Parramatta City won the cup.

Forest's centre-forward, Julie Dolan was the WSL top scorer with 24 goals, followed by Putney Town's right-winger, Carol Vinson with 23 goals. Days Carmody, Chipping Norton and Janine Riddington, Putney Town were top scorers in the cup with four goals each.

An exceptional achievement was a tally of 20 goals by Forest's Kim Lembray, whose usual position is in the mid-field.

Seven of the Forest players were in the New South Wales State team which won the National Championships in Adelaide this year.

Manly and Girraween United, in their first season in the top league, improved their performances as they progressed through the championship rounds.

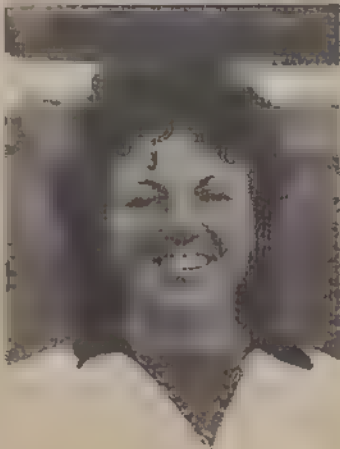
Both teams will most likely be stronger in 1987 as their many young players are maturing fast and gaining experience in the WSL.

FINAL

Putney Town v Forest T. McCann 0-1.



JULIE DOLAN



KIM LEMBRAY

TOP SCORERS

24-J. Dolan (FU), 23-C. Vinson (PT), 20-K. Lembray (FU), 14-J. Riddington (PT), 13-L. Wardell (PT), 11-D. Carmody (CN), 10-N. Komorowski (PC), C. Bradley (FU), 9-J. Hebb (PC), 7-R. Cheevers (FU), C. Heydon (FU), 6-S. Coughley (PC), T. McCann (FU), 5-C. Fitzpatrick (PC), 4-T. Wheeler (CN), J. Aitken (PT), 3-M. Young (PT), D. Kerry (M-W), 2-M. Langlar (PT), S. Kalkhoven (PC), S. Broughton (M-W), C. Proctor (M-W), D. Spaliviero (GU), N. Clark (GU), A. Dennis (GU), K. Norris (CN), F. Huntington (CN), L. Hammond (PT), 1-J. Colby (M-W), R. Whithers (M-W), L. Whybrow (M-W), J. Hauslore (M-W), J. Dae (PC), L. Mudie (PC), S. Baird (PC), L. Gndley (PT), L. Fava (PT), M. Baker (PT), N. van der Leeden (FU), A. Tann (FU), Leanne Taylor (FU),

S. Young (CN), J. Wheeler (CN), 5-own goals.



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TRANS TASMAN CUP
AUSTRALIA 2 (G Arnold A Zinn) b NEW ZEALAND 1 (A Deely) at Parramatta Stadium. Crowd: 4800.

AUSTRALIAN YOUTH 1 (P Trimbold) b AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLBOYS 0 at Parramatta Stadium.

ENGLISH Div 1: Aston Villa 2 Leicester 0, Charlton 0 Arsenal 2, Chelsea 0 Watford 0, Liverpool 6 Norwich 2, Luton 1 Queen's Park Rangers 0, Manchester United 1 Coventry 1, Newcastle 0 Oxford 0, Nottingham Forest 3 Sheffield Wednesday 2, Southampton 1 Manchester City 1, Tottenham 1 Wimbledon 2.

ENGLISH DIVISION ONE
P W D L F A Pts
Notts Fst 13 8 2 3 30 15 26
Aston 13 7 3 3 16 8 24
Liverpool 13 7 2 4 30 18 23
Norwich 13 6 3 4 21 20 22
Everton 12 5 4 3 20 14 21
Luton 13 5 3 5 13 9 20
Coventry 13 5 3 5 13 10 20
West Ham 12 5 3 4 23 22 19
Tottenham 12 5 3 4 13 12 19
Wimbledon 13 5 3 5 16 17 19
Sheff Wed 13 4 6 3 26 27 17
Q.P.R. 13 5 2 6 13 15 17
Charlton 13 5 2 6 15 19 17
Oxford 13 4 6 3 17 18 16
Aston Villa 13 4 5 4 17 18 15
Watford 13 4 4 5 16 19 15
Leicester 13 4 4 5 16 19 15
Man Utd 13 4 4 5 16 19 15
Chelsea 13 4 4 5 16 19 15
Man City 13 4 4 5 16 19 15
Newcastle 13 4 4 5 16 19 15

Div 2: Barnsley 1 Blackburn 1, Bradford 3 Reading 0, Brighton 2, Hull 1, Grimsby 1 Millwall 0, Ipswich 3 Huddersfield 0, Leeds 1, Shrewsbury 0, Oldham 0 Portsmouth 0, Plymouth 0, Crystal Palace 1, Sheffield United 2, Sunderland 1, Stoke 0 Derby 2, West Bromwich Albion 3 Birmingham 2.

DIVISION TWO
P W D L F A Pts
Portsmouth 13 7 5 1 16 7 26
Oldham 13 7 4 2 20 12 25
Leeds 13 7 3 3 19 11 24
Plymouth 13 6 5 2 22 16 23
Ipswich 13 6 4 3 21 16 22
W.B.A. 13 6 3 4 17 15 21
Derby 13 6 3 4 16 14 21
Sunderland 13 5 5 3 19 17 20
Sheff Utd 13 4 6 3 16 15 18
Cryst Pal 13 4 5 4 17 23 18
Brighton 13 4 5 4 13 17 17
Grimsby 13 4 5 4 13 17 17
Hull 13 4 5 4 13 17 17
Reading 13 4 5 4 13 17 17

Bradford 12 4 3 5 16 17 15
Millwall 13 4 2 7 16 16 14
Birmingham 13 3 5 5 18 20 14
Shrewsbury 13 3 5 5 18 20 14
Huddersfield 13 3 4 7 12 20 12
Blackburn 11 3 2 6 13 16 11
Barnsley 13 2 5 6 11 16 11
Stoke 13 2 5 6 11 16 11

Div 3: Blackpool 1 Bristol City 0, Brentford 1 Bolton 2, Bury 2, Port Vale 2, Chester 0, Walsall 0, Doncaster 2, Fulham 1, Gillingham 3, Chesterfield 0, Middlesbrough 4, Bournemouth 0, Newport 1, Nottingham County 1, Rotherham 2, Mansfield 2, Swindon 3, York 1, Wigan 2, Carlisle 0.

DIVISION THREE
P W D L F A Pts
Gillingham 14 8 4 2 28 14 28
Blackpool 13 8 4 1 17 6 28
Bournemouth 13 8 3 2 21 14 27
Blackpool 13 7 4 2 27 13 25
Notts City 14 7 4 3 26 15 25
Swindon 13 7 4 2 24 19 24
Mansfield 12 5 6 1 16 11 21
Doncaster 14 6 2 6 21 19 20
York 14 6 2 6 21 19 20
Bristol City 12 5 4 3 20 11 19
Wigan 14 6 0 8 25 28 18
Fulham 14 4 5 5 19 22 17
Chesterfield 14 5 2 7 21 29 17
Bristol Rovers 13 4 4 5 16 18 16
Carlisle 14 4 4 6 13 20 16
Bolton 14 4 3 7 21 23 15
Port Vale 14 4 3 7 22 24 14
Brentford 13 4 4 5 21 23 13
Newport 12 3 4 5 21 23 13
Bury 14 3 4 7 17 21 13
Chester 13 1 10 3 13 18 13
Walsall 13 3 4 6 23 29 13
Darlington 14 2 4 6 15 23 13
Rotherham 14 2 3 9 10 26 9

Div 4: Cambridge 0 Crewe 3, Colchester 3, Wolverhampton 0, Halifax 1, Cardiff 1, Orient 1, Stockport 0, Southend 4, Torquay 0, Burnley 0, Peterborough 0, Hartlepool 3, Northampton 3, Hereford 1, Aldershot 0, Lincoln 3, Grimsby 1, Preston 2, Exeter 1, Scunthorpe 3, Wrexham 3, Swansea 1, Rochdale 0.

DIVISION FOUR
P W D L F A Pts
Northampton 14 11 2 1 38 21 35
Swansea 14 10 3 1 35 15 33
Colchester 14 7 3 4 26 19 25
Southend 13 7 3 3 24 13 24
Preston 13 7 3 3 21 17 24
Exeter 14 5 3 6 19 23 19
Wrexham 12 6 4 2 26 15 22
Lincoln 14 5 4 5 17 20 20
Crewe 14 4 7 3 25 19 19
Tranmere 14 5 4 5 19 19 19
Wolves 14 6 1 7 16 16 19
Orient 13 5 4 4 16 19 19
Aldershot 15 5 3 7 22 22 18
Scunthorpe 13 4 4 5 19 18 16

Cardiff 13 3 7 3 14 17 16
Hereford 14 4 4 6 15 19 16
Burnley 14 4 6 6 14 20 16
Cambridge 13 3 6 4 21 22 13
Peterborough 14 3 4 7 16 19 13
Rochdale 12 2 6 4 11 15 12
Torquay 14 2 6 6 15 26 12
Halifax 14 3 2 8 13 24 10
Hartlepool 13 1 3 9 8 24 10
Stockport 13 1 3 9 8 27 6

Scottish League, Premier Division: Celtic 1 Rangers 1, Dundee 0 Aberdeen 2, Falkirk 1, Clydebank 0, Hearts 1, Hibernian 1, Motherwell 1, Hamilton 1, St Mirren 0, Dundee Utd 1.

SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION
P W D L F A Pts
Celtic 15 11 3 1 36 8 25
Dundee Utd 16 10 5 1 30 11 25
Rangers 15 9 3 3 26 10 21
Hearts 16 7 6 3 19 12 20
Aberdeen 15 7 5 3 25 14 19
Dundee 16 6 6 4 19 15 18
St Mirren 16 6 5 5 13 15 18
Falkirk 16 5 6 5 13 23 11
Motherwell 16 2 7 7 15 27 11
Hibernian 16 3 5 8 16 34 11
Clydebank 16 4 2 10 11 28 10
Hamilton 15 0 2 13 8 34 2

Div 1: Brechin 3, Dumbarton 1, Dunfermline 1, Kilmarnock 0, Montrose 0, Clyde 1, Morton 1, East Fife 1, Partick 2, Airdrie 0, Queen of South 2, Forfar 1.

DIVISION ONE
P W D L F A Pts
Dunfermline 18 11 4 3 27 13 26
Dumbarton 18 11 1 6 32 22 23
Morton 18 10 4 4 35 26 20
East Fife 18 8 6 4 30 27 20
O'Forth 18 6 7 5 26 26 19
Airdrie 17 7 4 6 21 21 18
Forfar 18 6 6 6 30 31 18
Kilmarnock 18 6 4 8 26 23 16
Partick 18 5 6 7 35 23 16
Clyde 17 3 8 6 15 22 14
Brechin 18 5 3 10 21 36 13
Montrose 18 3 5 10 16 31 11

Berwick 13 1 4 8 14 25 6
Stirling 13 1 4 8 9 21 6
Arbroath 13 1 2 10 10 29 4

EAST GERMANY: Vorwarts Frankfurt-Oder 1 Wismut Aue 3, Rot-Weiss Erfurt 1 Union Berlin 0, Karl Marx Stadt 2 Lokomotiv Leipzig 1, Dynamo Dresden 2, Stahl Riesa 0, Magdeburg 3, Stahl Brandenburg 0, Dynamo Berlin 4, Fortschritt Bischofswerda 0, Energie Cottbus 3, Carl Zeiss Jena 1.

WEST GERMANY: Eintracht Frankfurt 2, Waldhof Mannheim 1, Werder Bremen 5, Bayer Uerdingen 1, Nuremberg 4, Fortuna Dusseldorf 3, Bayern Munich 0, Bayer Leverkusen 3, Borussia Moenchengladbach 3, Stuttgart 0, Borussia Dortmund 0, Kaiserslautern 5, Schalke 1, Hamburg 4, Borussia Dortmund 2, Cologne 1, Blau-Weiss Berlin 1.

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Div 2: Altona 2, Raith 4, Altona 1, East Stirling 0, Arbroath 1, Stranraer 4, Cowdenbeath 4, Stenhousemuir 1, Meadowbank 0, Stirling 1, Queen's Park 3, Berwick 1, St Johnstone 2, Ayr 2.

DIVISION TWO
P W D L F A Pts
Altona 13 10 2 1 24 16 22
Raith 13 7 6 0 30 12 20
Meadowbank 13 8 2 3 22 7 18
Stirling 13 7 3 3 13 6 17
Albion 13 8 1 4 23 17 17
Ayr 13 7 2 4 18 18 16
Stranraer 13 4 6 3 18 12 14
Cowdenbeath 13 2 6 5 17 12 12
St Johnstone 13 3 6 4 19 23 12
Queen's Park 13 3 5 5 17 18 11
Stenhousemuir 13 2 3 8 12 21 7

off final, second leg: Maimo 5 b Aik 2. Maimo wins 5-3 on aggregate.

SOVIET UNION: Zenit Leningrad 0 Moscow Torpedo 2, Yevgen Ararat 2, Dynamo Kiev 2, Spartak 0, Tbilisi Dynamo 0, Dnestr Shakhtyor 2, Minsk Dynamo 1, Vilnius Zalgiris 1, Almas Alta Kairat 1, Kharkov Metallist 2, Odessa Chornomors 0, Baku Neftchi 2, Dnepropetrovsk Dnepr 1, Kutais Torpedo 0, Moscow Dynamo 4.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA: Praha 1 Dukla Praha 2, Tatra Presov 6, Spartak Trnava 0, ZVL Silina 2, Sigma Olomouc 1, Vitkovice 2, Bohemians Praha 0, Dynama Ceske 1, Banik Ostrava 0, RH Chab 2, Skoda Plzen 1, Dunajska Streda 1, Piazatka Nitro 0, Sparta Praha 3, Banika Bystrica 1.

IRELAND: Ards 0, Larne 5, Carrick 3, Ballymena 2, Glenties 5, Bangor 1, Crusaders 3, Cullinstown 1, Linfield 1, Cliftonville 0, Newry 2, Glenavon 1, Portadown 1, Distillery 1.

HUNGARY: Honved Budapest 2, MTK-VKM 0, Videoton 2, Vasas Budapest 0, Dozsa Ujpest 4, Debrecen 0, Ferencvaros 1, Raba Eto 1, Zalaegerszeg 1, Eger 0, Siofok 0, Dunaujvaros 0, Haladas 1, PECS 0, Békéscsaba 0, Tatabánya 4.

Leading standings after 11 matches: Dozsa Ujpest 17 Pts, MTK-VKM 14, Haladas 14, Ferencvaros 14, PECS 14, Honved 13.

SPAIN: Real Madrid 4, Sabadell 0, Eire League Cup (q-f): St Patrick's 0 Dundalk 0, Waterford Utd 1, Bray Wanderers 4, Limerick 3, Shamrock Rovers 3, Galway Utd 2.

UCD 0, Cobh Ramblers 1.

LEAGUE CUP (3rd round)
Charlton 1 QPR 0.

ENGLISH League Cup, third round: Arsenal 3 Manchester City 1, Cambridge 1 Ipswich 0, Cardiff 2 Chelsea 1, Charlton 1 Queen's Park Rangers 0, Coventry 2 Oldham 1, Everton 4 Sheffield Wednesday 0, Shrewsbury 1 Hull 0.

Div 3: Newport 1 Carlisle 1, Div 4: Wrexham 3 Aldershot 0, Scottish Div 1: Forfar 3 Montrose 0.

LEADING ENGLISH SCORERS
Div 1: 18 Ian Rush (Liverpool), 15: Clive Allen (Tottenham), 13: John Aldridge (Oxford), 12: Steve McMahon (Liverpool), Colin Clarke (Southampton).
Div 2: 14 Mick Quinn (Portsmouth), 13: Trevor Senior (Reading), 11: Wayne Clarke (Birmingham), 10: Ron Fletcher (Oldham), 9: Stuart Gray (Barnsley).

Div 3: 12: Andy Jones (Port Vale), 11: David Kelly (Walsall), Arthur Stephens (Middlesbrough), 10: Ian McParland (Notts County), Keith Waiwyn (York).

Div 4: 12: Richard Hill (Northampton), 10: John Thomas (Preston), 9: Chris Harrison (Swansea), Ian Muir (Tranmere), Sean McCarthy (Swansea).

Maritimo 8, Caracas 8, Mineros 5, Italia 4, UCV 4, Anzotegui 3, Galicia 2, Grupo occidental, Portuguesa 8, Estudiantes 7, Tachira 5, Zamora 4, Llaneros 4, ULA 4, Lara 4.

*** COLOMBIA**
Cucuta 3, Pereira 1, Millonarios 3, Quindio 3, America 2, Junior 1, Caldas 4, Bucaramanga 0, Nacional 1, Medellin 1, Tolima 2, Santa Fe, Cali 3, U. Magdalena 0.

FINLAND
Millonarios 51, Amancio 51, Medellin 50, Quindio 48, Junior 45, Nacional 45, Cali 44, Caldas 42.

*** CHILE**
Palestino 25, Cobresal 25, Cobresal 25, Conception 24, Colo Colo 23.

*** ARGENTINA**
Newell's Old Boys 21, Gimnasia 20, Independiente 19, Velez Sarsfield 19, Rosario Central 19, San Lorenzo 19, Boca Juniors 18, Ferrocaril Oeste 17.

*** URUGUAY**
Nacional 16, Huracan Buceo 15, Wanderers 13, Penarol 13, Rampla Juniors 12, Central Espanol 12, Defensor 12, River Plate 10, Progreso 10, Danubio 9, Cerro 9, Bella Vista 8.

River Plate (Argentina) win La Copa Libertadores (the South American Championship).
The Argentinian Champions defeated their Colombian opponents America de Cali 1-0 in the second leg to take the trophy 3-1 on aggregate.



Paul V. Ankudinoff writes ...

HOW SYDNEY OLYMPIC JUNIORS WERE FIRMLY ESTABLISHED

UNTIL 1981 Olympic Juniors were not an organised Club, so I was told, and their performances on the field were poor — this I saw with my own eyes.

I was approached through my son, Greg, by Mr Nick Smilas.

I then met with Mr Smilas, J. Constantine and C. Fallon, and was asked to reorganise the club's set-up and raise playing standards.

I accepted on a number of conditions; most important were:

1. Our aim — to produce players for the Senior Club and not necessarily win competitions.
2. Senior Club's coaches and occasionally players were to hold training sessions.
3. I was to entice good experienced coaches to the club.
4. Have discipline on off the field — no interference or involvement of parents in running teams, and, loyalty to the club.

In my selection of players, contrary to what some people have said, if I consider two players of equal ability I always chose the player of Greek descent.

To be able to produce players capable to play in senior grades, we firstly have to attract skilful, intelligent lads and then they have to be taught the principles and understanding of the game.

To achieve it, we must have a proper coaching set up and a good keen committee. We have that.

But just as important, we must have continuity and progression in coaching. To have it, the U/19's coach must be an ex-quality player and a

qualified experienced coach. He should be able to help Juniors coaches with instructions and advice.

We had that when Ljubo Goykovic was with Olympic — those were the best years of my involvement with the club, the most productive in terms of player development.

The Under 19 Coach should be someone like Goykovic — second choice Greg Ankudinoff (the fact that he is my son is irrelevant). Having played in the NSL and State Leagues and being a NSWFA coaching instructor, he can also act as a talent scout for the club.

The coach should stay with the team at least two years.

Very simple, I believe that for the Senior Club to be successful, Olympic Juniors must do well too. We must try to produce young players for the U/19's with the U/19 coach polishing them off for the senior team.

Olympic Juniors achievements in the past six years were:

The following players came through our Junior set up: C. Kalantzis, M. Spanoudakis, A. Zervas, A. Lampropoulos (St. G.), G. Haniotis, A. Svinos, S. Marinos (Cnr. Marr.), Abbas Saad (Syd. City).

The next crop of players were N. Genaris, S. Chilas, C. Siatras — he represented Australia in U/15's, D. Barratt (Syd. City), T. Kotsias (St. G.), J. Russo (Cnr.).

The 1986 season players with potential are S. Georgakis, E. Hrist, L. Triantafyllou, S. Refenes, plus K. Hadden now in Buenos Aires, Argentina as an apprentice, and S. Jee, 1986 U/15 going to Southampton, England as an apprentice.

Also, six of this year's U/16's represented NSW.

To 1986, Olympic were Premiers seven times, Metropolitan Champions six times, runners-up seven times, State Champions twice, runners-up seven times, won U/13 Mini-Ampol Cup once, and were unofficial Club Champions twice.

Early in 1985, I approached Mr Tom Doumanis, suggesting improvements in the U/19 Coaching set-up, then later in the year, I wrote him a letter.

This letter was well received and a meeting was held between Mr Doumanis and three other directors with the Junior committee and myself.

Unhappily nothing eventuated from this meeting. Naturally I am disappointed. I want Olympic to do well although, on the Junior level, we are already producing top players.

At the end of 1985 we were the leading club in developing young players. But now with other Senior Clubs getting involved with their Juniors, and publicising it in the news media, they are drawing talented players away from us — this last season was relatively poor by Olympic standards.

We, within Olympic, must improve our performance and set up to attract talented players. We must have continuity of coaching with a proper technical transition from junior to senior levels. Olympic's financial survival may well depend on us producing our own players.

At present, Olympic Juniors have one of the best set-ups, committee and coaching and all players who wish to learn the game would be well advised to trial for Olympic!

I was prompted to write because I like this club and more importantly, in my twenty years of coaching youth, amateur division and State League division two, this is the only time that I have worked in a club of such potential — the pity of it is that unlike some other clubs we do not promote such a prestigious unit.

THE JUNIOR GAME

ASW presents the widest coverage of Junior Soccer in Australia with Keith Gilmour.



The players are: FRONT ROW: Michael Emanato, Dean Mulcahy, Jason Tirant, Jamie Amendolla (captain), Mark Saric, Nathan Colussi, Lenny Nicotera. BACK ROW: George Tsatsimas, Rod Zakarija, John Helou, Peter Rodaro, Claudio Paselli, Lewie Helou, John Panuccio. Roy Tully Manager, Peter Amendolla Coach.

ENFIELD GO A'ROVING

THIS Enfield Rovers Under 9 team was first formed in 1981 and played in the under six Lakemba Mini Competition.

For the following two years they continued in the same competition and were undefeated.

They made their debut in the Canterbury District when they played in the Under 7 competition in 1984.

In 1985 they won the Under 8 Division I District competition, being both Minor Premiers and Premiers, and then went on to win the Champion of Cham-

pions State Competition. During the season they also won the Rooty Hill RSL Gala Knock-out Competition.

The 1986 season saw them once again become Minor Premiers and Premiers in the Under 9 Division I competition with the added accomplishment of being undefeated. They also won the Under 9 Gala Day Competition held by St Christophers

Club at Panania.

They topped off the season by again winning the Champion of Champions State Competition for the second year in a row.

The side has an impressive record of scoring 769 goals in 130 games over the last four years and in this time they have won fourteen Grand Finals in competition football and Round Robin games.



TOP ROW: Left to right: Mick Lee (coach), Gavin Lee, Brett Klaassen, Ben Thorpe, Nathan Wright, Scott Tan, Aaron Boyd, Tony Gigliotti, Stan Minol (manager). BOTTOM ROW: Tjaden Potts, Christopher Minol (captain), Craig Richards, Jeremy Lack, Craig Oldfield. Absent: Paul Porter.

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IN the 25 years history of the club in the Nepean District SFA, this year's U/12 First division team is one of the highest skilled units of its age group.

The nucleus of boys have been playing together since under sixes and enjoy their football to the fullest.

Seven of the team members have been honoured by being selected in the Nepean

representative squad to compete at top level football in the Metropolitan Championship.

They have won numerous competitions and tournaments over their seven seasons.

This year under the guidance of their coach Mick Lee and manager Stan Minol they achieved a treble by winning the League, Round Robin final, and the Ian Hunter Cup.

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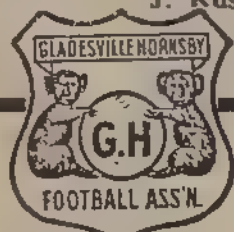
The States have contributed strongly to the costs associated with the Australian Under 16 team.

The squad under coach Vic Dalglish plays in Taiwan next month in a bid to qualify for the World Under 16 Cup, to be held in Canada in July.

The cost of May and September camps and \$600 towards the Taiwan trip have been passed on to the states by the Australian Soccer Federation.

A FIRM quoting the name of Inter Sports has been seeking advertising in Sydney and claiming that part of the proceeds is going to Valentine Park, Parklea. ASW has not been able to trace any connection with Parklea, so if your Association or club is approached you will be ready to draw your own conclusions.

THE annual general meeting of the NSW Amateur Soccer Federation has been set down for next Saturday November 8 at Parklea at 10am. It seems that there could be at least one major change to the executive.



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FAIRFIELD OLYMPIC'S SPECIAL YEAR

FAIRFIELD OLYMPIC has now concreted its name as the up and coming club for the future.

The 1986 season proved highly successful with three out of four teams becoming champions.

The club presently has two all/age Ladies Division one teams, (Liverpool and Holroyd Districts) both of which became 1986 League Champions.

Also the club has two all/age mens teams which play in Southern Districts and which first grade became winners.

The FOSC was founded by Thomas Conditis, Nick Conditis and Melody Locke in 1985. They have brought

youth and talent together to form a structure of a club to be a force for the future.

In its 1986 season the club has had the following successes:

HOLROYD LADIES DIV ONE (Sponsor — Zacuba Bricks)

This team had won the highly prestigious Fairfield City Games, all/age Division one winners in Holroyd and became Champions of 1986.

Players (L to R) N. Conditis (Coach), J. Balmer, S. Fricker, K. Lowe, L. Downie, K. Alexander, L. Smith, F. Zalewski (Manager), T. Fischer, N. Collister, F. Jackson, L. Cavin, K. Morgan, T. Zalewski, R. Nicholson.

Their success story came from hard work, dedication and team-spirit throughout the season.

They had four state representatives F. Jackson, K. Alexander, N. Collister and T. Zalewski.

Also L. Downie made the AJSF Junior Youth team to tour America.

The team, coached by Nick Conditis, showed plenty of ability by taking the all/age Division one championship and will contest the Women's Soccer League for 1987.

Nine of these players played in the Holroyd A/A Representative team at Bateau Bay against other Rep. teams, ending their success by becoming runners-up.

LIVERPOOL LADIES DIV. ONE (Sponsor — McCabe Florist)

This team were runners-up in the Fairfield City Games, all/age Division One winners in Liverpool.

Players (L to R) A. Evanson (Manager), D. Matthews, C. Wilberforce, C. Mehew, H. Connelly, M. Burgin, K. Shields, S. Pfeiffer (coach), M. Locke, L. Van Wyk, O. Christian, A. Shipley, S. McAdams, G. Zalewski, M. Matthews. Missing — A. Tydeman.

Coached by Stephen Pfeiffer, this team ridged with injuries for most of the season but defied all odds by winning the a/a Division one competition. The players had shown discipline and courage to become champions. They hope to maintain the same success in 1987.

SOUTHERN DISTRICTS MEN

The a/a men came good to become Premiers for 1986. After the first five rounds they were placed 9th, but after a string of wins, confidence built-up in the camp and the necessary formula became evident.

The team of youngsters have proven to be a threat to other clubs.

They squeezed into the play-offs with a very confident 2nd round display only losing two matches.

They went on to play Canley Heights in the final to beat their winning streak of wins,



FAIRFIELD OLYMPIC — Winner of Holroyd Ladies SFA All Age Div 1.

therefore becoming 1986 League Champions.

Players — (L to R) N. Conditis (Coach), D. Oliveira, M. Perkins, A. Aligiannis, A. Hopewell, C. Cross, P.

Oliver, M. Simmons, C. Gray, M. Cross, M. Kavouras, R. Hamilton, S. Mearrick, G. McGregor, G. Conditis, R. Burgin. Missing — J. Aligiannis.

This team will be the

force of the future with this tremendous source of youth, with players such as Scott Mearrick representing the AISF Junior Youth team to tour Europe later this year.



FAIRFIELD OLYMPIC — Holroyd Ladies minor premiers.

DALGLEISH PREPARES FOR SHOW

World Under 16s

THE Australian under 16 team will have 10 days together prior to their departure for Taiwan on December 1.

Under the control of Vic Dalglish, the under 16 Socceroos will compete against New Zealand, Chinese Taipei, Papua New Guinea and Fiji for a place in the World under 16 Cup finals.

These are to be held in Canada next July.

Last time around — which was the first ever world tournament at this level — Australia reached the quarter finals in China.

It was a forward move

of astronomical dimensions, and Australia was only eliminated on penalty kicks by Guinea, who had a tremendous run in the series.

Coach Dalglish expects to stage practice games against the NSW under 16 and 18 teams.

He is hopeful that a game can be arranged against the NSW Schoolboy team, which is to tour Europe.

According to Dalglish Australia is not the

favourite and he abhors any talk to that affect.

"If we had won something it would be a different matter.

"This is an entirely different team to the previous "Kodak Kids" and we don't yet know what they can do," he said.

The first game for Australia will be on October 7, which is the second day of the series, and the opponents will be Papua New Guinea.

There is no doubt that the stiffest opposition is likely to come from the Kiwis.

It will be the wet season in Taiwan and the heat is expected to be intense.

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HAMMERS AFTER SIMPSON

West Ham could be about to make an offer for **PAUL SIMPSON** which Manchester City cannot refuse.

Hammers boss **JOHN LYALL** has had the 20-year-old winger watched twice in recent weeks and I'm told that City will be forced to part with Simpson if they receive a bid of £250,000.

City's new boss **JIMMY FRIZZELL** is doing everything he can to keep the England Under-21 international.

He recently rejected Newcastle's offer of £125,000, but declining gates and a lack of funds will almost certainly mean the club will lose their hottest property.

Following his transfer successes with **FRANK McAVENNIE** and **MARK WARD** last season, Lyall will not hesitate to spend out again to get his man.

And with back-up striker **PAUL GODDARD** looking to move for first team football, a swoop for Simpson could be imminent.

MANCHESTER CITY is fighting to keep its young squad intact.

Clubs have bid \$500,000 for Paul Simpson, 20, and \$1 million for Steve Redmond, 18.

● **World football mourns the death of Otto Gloria, the Brazilian who managed Portugal to the 1966 World Cup Semi-Finals.**

Gloria died in Sao Paulo, Brazil after a delicate operation.



PERFECT PARTNER CLOUGH

GARRY BIRTLES believes that his guv'nor's son **NIGEL CLOUGH** has the ability to become the best striking partner he has had at Nottingham Forest.

And that's not bad when you consider that the 30-year-old Birtles has been alongside the likes of **TREVOR FRANCIS**, **TONY WOODCOCK**, **CHARLIE GEORGE** and **PETER DAVENPORT** in his time at the City Ground.

Says Birtles: "Nigel is the most unselfish striker I've met. He is also the best passer of the ball at the club alongside **JOHNNY METCAL**."

"He has tremendous vision. The way he holds the ball and turns is really impressive."

Maradona magic

Happy Happel's home

Hamburg coach Ernst Happel is back at work following a visit to Vienna for medical tests.

The poker-faced Happel underwent stomach surgery two months ago. News that he required further tests in Austria sparked rumours that he would not return to football.

But old laugh-a-minute Ernst is back in his tracksuit and looking as formidable as ever.

Argentina's World Cup-winning manager **Carlos Bilardo** is poised to put patriotism before personal gain and stay in charge of his country.

Bilardo, who led Argentina to glory in Mexico this summer, has had lucrative offers from Italy, France and West Germany to manage clubs.

His contract with the Argentinian FA runs out on December 31. And while Bilardo admits it is difficult to build a team when virtually all your players play abroad, he has overcome that hurdle to win soccer's number one trophy.

Bilardo says: "We will have to start again and risk poor results. We are starting from point zero again."

Seven of the World Cup squad are with foreign clubs and more are expected to follow. His fear is that the European clubs won't release **Diego Maradona** and Co. for the South American Championship games.

The mere presence of Diego Maradona is enough to set pulses racing and fill stadiums these days.

No surprise, then, that the all-time receipts record for a UEFA Cup-tie were shattered when Naples met Toulouse in Italy.

A crowd of 73,875 paid nearly

(PAGE 000)

CHEERS!

Former Ajax and Pisa striker **Willem Kieft** got the shock of his life when he received 700 bottles of wine.

The baffled Dutchman was reluctant to pop a single cork until finding out if somebody had made a massive blunder. They hadn't.

"Seems the player who scores the first goal of the Italian First Division season wins this prize," he says.

"Torino beat Verona 2-1 on the opening day — and I scored the first goal early in the game. Cheers!"

★★★★ THE LIFE OF BRIAN ★★★★★

BRIAN MOORE clutched his stomach, jammed his knees together and felt the first stirrings of perspiration breaking on his forehead. The World Cup Final was 36 hours away. The dreaded 'Aztec twostep' was a damn sight closer.

Independent Television's most respected sports presenter and commentator stared in his bathroom mirror. Gone was the imperturbable mask with which he confronts the most harrowing moments of potential on-air disaster. In its place, Moore saw plain, old-fashion fear. Some 5,500 miles from home in a Mexico City hotel room, Moore knew that his recurring nightmare was turning rapidly into reality. He was in danger of missing the most important day of his professional life — commentating on the 1986 World Cup Final.

Plenty of worries but I can get on with the game

"There are many things to worry about before such an occasion," says Moore. "But by main concern had nothing to do with satellite link-ups, research or the correct pronunciation of surnames. It was afraid of going down with the tummy trouble that beset so many during the World Cup month. In my job I can't ring up and ask them to postpone things for a few days while I sleep off an illness. Imagine how I felt when the first stabs of pain hit my stomach."

"Fortunately, thanks to forward planning by my wife Betty, who cleaned out the local supermarkets for Mars Bars so I steered clear of any more danger, and two small tablets from ITV's Doctor Lesley Young, I beat the bug and felt fighting fit next day. It would have been heartbreaking to miss my first World Cup Final commentary for television."

In the end, Moore's commentary was as warm, informative, and professional as we have come to expect from a man who commands such respect and admiration from his colleagues.

A fortnight later the ITV frontman was in Los Angeles doing a commentary on the UNICEF match between the Americas and the Rest of the World.

Prior to the match he observed: "This time the football is for charity, but with Maradona involved I expect another spectacular 90 minutes. I feel as excited now as I did years ago when I did my first BBC Radio commentary. I am double lucky because I'm in love with the job and in love with the game."

It may seem extravagant that ITV went to the enormous expense of sending Moore on two round trips totalling more than 22,000 miles to cover two 90 minute games of football. But his is now acknowledged as the best in the business and anyway, he is used to coming travel with commentary. As an eight-year-old Moore commentated out loud on imaginary games while cycling to school.

Born in Benenden, Kent, he attended Cranbrook School where rugby union was the code: "But foot



ball gripped my imagination right from the start," he admits. "I remember my first game. It was 1946 and Bath City came to play Gillingham in a Southern League match at Priestfield Stadium. I stood on the terraces and saw Gillingham win 4-1. I've never forgotten how excited I was during and after the match. I became a Gillingham fan there and then. I'm still the same fan, just a hell of a lot older." Moore became a director of Gillingham seven years ago, but resigned last August, feeling he was cheating them as he could so rarely visit the club.

If football was Moore's love from early years, journalism was always going to be his life. Those cycling commentaries were just part of his single-minded preparation as he worked through school and two years in the RAF.

When he left the RAF, Moore progressed through *World Sports*, *Exchange Telegraph*, *The Times* and the BBC, where he spent six years as football correspondent. "I was lucky to meet great professionals at crucial periods in my career. John Hennessey, sports editor of *The Times*, gave me tremendous encouragement and advice. Later I met Angus Mackay, the pioneer of sports broadcasting and then the producer of BBC Radio's *Sports Report*. Angus taught me so much that I owe him a debt of gratitude that can never be repaid."

But it was an unexpected phone call from Jimmy Hill that set Moore on the flight path from London to Mexico City, when he invited him to join London Weekend Television from the BBC.

"He invited me to lunch and by the time we'd reached the coffee I'd been convinced. I joined LWT

in 1968 and Jimmy showed me the ropes. He showed me how to cope with off-screen cock-ups, ever-bubbling ear-pieces and a million and one aspects of the job."

Since then Moore has enveloped ITV Sport with a fatherly mastery. He has fronted *On The Ball* and *The Big Match*, commented on nearly all the major football games, and completed a series of one-to-one programmes with Kevin Keegan, Niki Lauda, Bjorn Borg, Seve Ballesteros and Captain Mark Phillips. He is more welcome in front rooms than any of his fellow pros.

"I believe that if you make a mistake and admit it, the public will forgive you and forget. But if you try to con them, you only insult their intelligence and lose them. I also believe that a television journalist and a footballer prepare for their jobs in much the same way. We must graft a bit before a major event. If I know I have done my research properly then I feel more confident. Players are the same. If they train hard during the week they will play better."

Moore's popularity as a commentator is not just down to his professionalism. He admits to disliking what he calls "meaningless statistics", and always goes for the human touch. "For example the fact that Jose Luis Brown, who scored Argentina's first goal in the Final, spent most of his youth in an orphanage, or that Jorge Burruchaga, who hit their winner, is the tenth child in a family of 12. What a great example to all young lads from massive families who wonder if only the privileged are destined to become football heroes."

Preparations are vital but showmen always help

Although Moore has done countless commentaries and presentations, he admits there are a few he wishes he'd never done — such as the programme on Seve Ballesteros in his series on world-famous sporting figures.

"It was awful. He seemed prepared to give about 30 per cent to the whole project and even that began to evaporate long before the end. The programme was very disappointing. I only have to feel a bit jauntily-of-step before the memory of that interview brings me back to earth."

"I learned from the experience, however. Because later I did a similar programme with Niki Lauda. I realised that if I tried to chat with him about overhead camshafts, he'd know I was talking gibberish. So I surrounded myself with books on his background."

"I met Lauda at Luton Airport. As he stepped from his private plane I took the plunge and said: 'How are your two dogs, and so-and-so and so-and-so?' Lauda's face lit up and he said: 'Hey you've really done your homework, haven't you?' And from that moment we hit it off famously. Betty and I have two Jack Russell terriers who are part of the family, and I banked on Lauda holding his pets in the same high regard. It was a good hunch."

This kind of preparation has ensured that Moore has become instantly at home with a number of personality co-commentators and TV panellists. But he says the best of his 'guests' is Brian Clough.

"Clough always manages to produce one comment per programme guaranteed to get the viewers buzzing — either in agreement or rage. But he is also big-hearted and a fountain of knowledge. He has turned his flame-thrower on me more than once in front of millions of viewers — but he is excellent value."

Penalty shoot-outs are OK until a better system comes

But things don't always go well — such as Moore's presentation from ITV's London studio of the World Cup. Brazil v Spain kicked off on June 1 — and after a few seconds, the sound being transmitted by Mexican TV cut out.

"I was horrified because it was two years since I'd watched Brazil play. Spain I only knew because I'd seen their top club sides in Europe and the team news and line-ups didn't filter through for more than ten minutes. I commentated off the top of my head and struggled through. It was nice to be complimented afterwards. But let's be honest. Most of us in this game, are show-offs. I love the occasional moment of terror because it gets the adrenalin flowing. Anyway, deep down you know you can cope, and you know you've been through worse and held onto your job."

Moore, who is now returning to commentating as his major role after a period of studio presentation, jettied out to Mexico with Kevin Keegan for the World Cup Final. "Even as I travelled out there I'd reached two conclusions — the refereeing was very poor and lacking a real feel for the mood of the games, and we really should be more appreciative of British TV standards."

"But I confess I love the penalty shootouts. Some of the most gripping moments from the World Cup came in those. And until a better way of ensuring a result is devised, we're stuck with them."

Moore's genuine love of the game ensures he holds strong views about the current season. "I hope and pray that the progress we made in curbing hooliganism last season is built upon over this campaign. British fans who made the trip to Mexico did our game a great service. The vast majority were good humoured, sporting, friendly and won over the local people. But we still have a long way to go."

"My two sons, Christopher and Simon, are in their twenties. They won't thank me for saying this, but even now I feel relieved when they ring up after going to a game. I listen to the report but I'm just as interested in the news that the fans behaved — and my two sons are OK. Only another parent will understand what I mean. It does not matter how old your children are, you feel concern. As long as we feel this concern when they attend a football ground, then something is wrong."

ROBBO BACKS BIG RON

MANCHESTER UNITED's classy international midfielder BRYAN ROBSON has backed his boss Ron Atkinson to the hilt in an article published in England.

Says Robson: "Ron Atkinson has been put in the stocks — and the rotten tomatoes are flying at him from all directions.

"I have never known a manager to take more stick than the boss has suffered since the beginning of the season.

"His public trial started from the moment we lost 1-0 at Arsenal in the opening League game.

"By the time Everton had beaten us, our fifth defeat in seven matches, the cries for Ron's scalp had reached a crescendo.

"I am sick of reading and hearing unfair criticism, most of it ill-informed and vicious.

"The time is right for me, as Manchester United's captain, to defend the boss.

"The main point I would like to make is that the man under attack just happens to be the finest manager Manchester United have had since Sir Matt Busby.

"Yes, better than Wilf McGuinness, Frank O'Farrell, Tommy Docherty and Dave Sexton.

"They must have been good managers, otherwise United would not have appointed them, but Ron's two F.A. Cup wins in 1983 and 1985 and his record of steering us into the top five of the First Division in every season since his appointment in June, 1981, is something he can be proud of.

"I have said before that Ron's champagne swigging image is false. He will enjoy a glass or two of the bubbly if he has something to celebrate. So does Bobby Robson, Brian Clough, Lester Piggott, Ian Bothman, Jack Nicklaus and Nigel Mansell, all of them winners.

"Most of the time Ron Atkinson is hard at

work. He probably puts in more hours than any one I know.

"He begins the day at the training ground at 9am and often ends it, shivering or wet, after watching some promising youngster in a Third Division game many miles from home.

SURVIVES

"He takes more phone calls in the first hour of his day than the average telephonist.

"Then he slips into a track-suit for a training session with the team. His "Big Ron" nickname suggests that he is overweight and unfit. The boss is always picked when we choose teams for a five-a-side but he survives with men half his age.

"He is so in love with football that he will ring up his old mates such as Brian Kidd, Joe Royle and Brendan Batson and arrange a friendly kick-around on a Friday if Manchester United have a home game the following day.

"I reckon Ron is working three times harder at Old Trafford than he needed to at West Brom. The demands on a United boss are incredible. He probably gives more interviews to the newspapers and television between 12.30 and 1pm, Monday to Friday, than the Prime Minister.

"With due respect to Liverpool, Manchester United are top of most lists for invites. Who better than Manchester United to provide the opposition if a player has a testimonial?

"They ring from all over Britain — and Ron takes the calls, doing his best for long-serving professionals whom he has admired.

"The critics would have him out of Old Trafford if they could get their way. But Ron

Atkinson won't quit. If he leaves United it will be because he has been sacked.

"The lads in the dressing-room are right behind him. The whole club has rallied to his side in this personal crisis.

"Ron's critics called for his head after the 1-0 defeat at Watford. But how can you blame the boss when his players missed four clear chances, one of them my clanger when I should have scored?

"He knows he has the best job in the country at the best club.

"His support of Bobby Robson's England team is something else I admire. He gets down to Wembley whenever he can and makes a point of telling young United players: "If you make the grade with us, lad, you'll play for England," or whatever country the youngster comes from.

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"Ron is a great motivator of players. Paul McGrath will say how much he owes the boss for his progress in becoming one of the First Division's best defenders.

"Paul soon lost his slack attitude when Ron got to work. Remi Moses is another to owe Ron a debt of gratitude.

"None of the pressure he has faced over the past couple of months has been passed on to the players.

"He has hardly said a word about the personal crisis he has faced. He just keeps barking: "I want more from you. Work harder, put your back into it."

"All the time he preaches the importance of playing attractive, winning football, making sure that the great following Manchester United enjoys gets value for money.

"He knows he has to win the League title. I think he sometimes feels he is getting the blame

for the failures of others since Sir Matt's reign.

"But he is not a vindictive man and knows that he will be judged on his record.

"I just hope that the best club manager I known can recover all the criticism to win the approval of the Stretford End and the rest of the country.

"Ron Atkinson deserves a break."

£4 million
THE
TODAY
LEAGUE

The Football League has a new sponsor to replace Canon — and collects £4 million.

Today newspaper has agreed a two-year deal with the League that carries a one-year option.

Now known as the TODAY LEAGUE, its 92 members each receive scaled down facility payments.

First Division clubs get £14,545, Second Division clubs get £7,272, Third Division — Fourth Division, £3,333.

In addition the four divisional Champions share £100,000. The First Division winners collect £50,000, the Second's winners get £25,000 and the Champions of the Third and Fourth each receive £12,500.

TODD'S JOB

Middlesbrough boss BRUCE RIOCH has appointed his former Derby team-mate COLIN TODD as first team coach at Ayresome Park.

Charlton midfielder GEORGE SHIPLEY has been placed on the transfer list at his own request. He feels he has no first team future at Selhurst Park following the recent signings of COLIN WALSH and ANDY PEAKE.

Jack's date

The Republic of Ireland will play Poland in Warsaw on November 12.

Manager JACK CHARLTON had requested a game against an Eastern European country because Bulgaria are in Eire's European Championship group and he wanted to familiarise his team with the conditions and style of football they will be up against when they travel to Sofia next April.

Peterborough manager JOHN WILE has sent a letter of support to his former WBA boss RON ATKINSON. The message from Wile to Manchester United's beleaguered chief was: "You turned it round for us with Albion, and you will do it again for United."

Wimbledon manager Dave Bassett threw a low punch at Peter Shilton in accusing the great England goalkeeper of "getting away with murder."

Bassett was suggesting that Shilton's reputation enabled him to gain favouritism from referees which they did not grant lesser players.

From what I've seen of rough-house tactics in penalty areas, goalkeepers need all the protection they can get from refs.

Struggling Hamilton could be ready to make a move for Rangers' transfer-listed midfielder man BOBBY RUSSELL, who does not feature in GRAEME SOUNESS' plans. But DOUGIE BELL has been recalled to Ibrox following a spell on loan with St. Mirren.

Aberdeen's 23-year-old full-back TOMMY McQUEEN has asked manager ALEX FERGUSON for a transfer. Signed from Clyde for £40,000 in 1984, McQueen has been unable to win a regular first team place at Pittodrie and sees his future elsewhere.



SIMPLE SAM

SAMMY LEE has laid to rest the popular belief that ex-Liverpool players cannot produce the goods once they exit the Anfield club.

The pint-sized midfielder player with the big heart has been an immediate hit for Queens Park Rangers.

Many managers hold back on signing Liverpool stars because there is a feeling in some quarters that Anfield aces are only top-class within the Liverpool system.

Kevin Keegan was an obvious exception as his skills found further glory with Hamburg, Southampton and Newcastle.

But generally speaking, Liverpool don't sell players while they are in their prime.

Over the years, play-

ers such as Joey Jones, Terry McDermott, Phil Thompson, David Johnson and Alan and Ray Kennedy haven't produced their Red form with other clubs.

Lee was in danger of becoming Anfield's forgotten man when Jim Smith stepped in with a \$400,000 offer just after the start of the season.

He was dropped from the England squad and was making few appearances for Liverpool.

But he admits: "It was all my fault. I just wasn't playing well."

Smith knows Lee still possesses the sort of

qualities he needs for his own midfield, which has been wrecked by long-term injuries to Gary Waddock and Mike Fillery.

"I want Sammy to bring the good habits he's learnt with Liverpool to Loftus Road," says Smith.

"I think he can teach our younger players a thing or two."

Smith adds: "There is nothing complicated about the way Sammy plays — it's based purely on simplicity."

Lee could be described as a Soccer miser — because he rarely gives the ball away!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Send your letter to
PO Box 406 Broadway,
NSW 2007.
Please keep them all brief —
preferably typed.

CRACK BACK

PLEASE find enclosed
an article from the back
page of the local rag
"The Advertiser".

I hope you can re-
spond to this "charac-
ter" in your own words.
It would be magic to
see a article in the same
paper in response.

R. Holmes,
Ermington 2115.

ANSWER BACK

THERE I send you the
latest addition of the
"Parramatta Advertiser"
Eric E. Lee, a so-called
journalist, gave the
NSW Soccer followers
something to read
about.

You would make me
very happy if you would
give him a good answer
in the "Australian Soc-
cer Weekly".

You may ask why not
give an answer myself.
It is because my blood
is boiling and only a
cool head can give the
right answer.

I thank you for the
very good "Australian
Soccer Weekly", I will
miss it during the long
summer months.

P.S. I am of Hunga-
rian origin and a St
George B.P. Supporter.

C. Eros,
Merrylands 2160.

OLYMPIC SPECTATORS

I watched the match on
TV between Adelaide
and Sydney Olympic
and was very disgusted
with the crowd be-
haviour rushing onto the
field.

At that time of the
game the referee
should have awarded
the game straight away
to Adelaide.

I put the blame on the
NSL as they know what
the Sydney Olympic
spectators are like and
have not done a thing
about it. I MEAN REAL-
LY DONE a THING AB-
OUT it.

"Good Luck Ade-
laide".

Lesley James,
Waratah West.

OLYMPIC & SUPPORTERS BEHAVIOUR

I enclose an article that
appeared today in the
Parramatta Advertiser.

Although Eric Lee is a
"die-hard" league
supporter, his com-
ments should not be
dismissed as just
another Soccer knock-
ing mission.

The Olympic/St
George match was
ruined by the actions of
the Greek supporters,
who turned a good
spectacle into mayhem,

and obviously affected
the referee's compo-
sure.

When I left the game,
the one thought in my
mind was that the Crick-
et Trust will ban Soccer
from Parramatta Sta-
dium, and all the good
publicity the code has
received from the ere-
pitois of Frank Arok's
Socceroos would be
undone.

Can our game pro-
gress when Olympic
supporters and players
continually bring it into
disrepute?

The Greeks draw big
crowds of Greeks, and
are pandered to by the
media. How many times
have I been told — no
Greeks, no crowds.

My answer is: How
many people have been
turned off Soccer over
the last ten years by the
actions of the majority,
not minority, of Greek
supporters.

Greece has never
been a Soccer force in
world football and nei-
ther will Australia if we
follow their lead, and
tolerate their disgusting
behaviour.

The Olympic players
lack discipline and
some of their "stars" run
onto the pitch with
socks down and shirts
out. They argue and
gesticulate to the crowd
every time a decision by
the referee goes
against their side.

If a player on the
referees had been hurt
during the mass inva-
sion of the playing area,
the scene would have
made world headlines.

The Olympic sup-
porters will not learn. They
are incapable of
improving their be-
haviour. They have had
more than enough
chances.

The ASF must step in
and ensure that:

1. The Olympic club
disciplines its players.
2. The supporters are
"caged up" in special
sections for the protec-
tion of other spectators,
players, and officials.

The code can never
progress in this country
while it is being con-
tinually brought into
disrepute by supporters
and players who have
no real love, under-
standing, or respect, for
others and the game.

Harry Cooper,
Kellyville 2153.

NSL 20, 14 & 16 TEAMS

I think that the best
Soccer teams for the
National League in
1987 are: South Mel-
bourne Hellas, Preston,
Heidelberg, B-unswick,
Adelaide City, Brisbane
Lions, Footscray, Mel-
bourne Croatia, Ade-
laide Hellas, Brisbane
City.

Sydney City, Sydney
Olympic, Sydney
Croatia, St George,
Marconi, Newcastle,
Wollongong, APIA,
Canberra, Blacktown
City.

For 14 teams, from
the South: South Mel-
bourne, Preston,
Heidelberg, Juventus,
Adelaide City, Brisbane
Lions, Footscray. From
the North: Marconi,
Sydney City, Sydney
Croatia, Sydney Olymp-
ic, St George,
Newcastle, Wollon-



BUGSY NYSKOHOUS lifts the National League trophy.

gong.
For 16 teams add In-
ter Monaro and Sun-
shine George Cross.

V. Aleksandar,
Mayfield NSW.

NSL SYSTEM

YOU recently asked for
views on how the Na-
tional Soccer scene
should be run in Austr-
alia. My ideas are as
follows:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

We need to face the
fact that Australia is a
huge continent, with a
very small population.
The European equiva-
lent of a Adelaide City/
Brisbane Lions match
(in distance) is Real
Madrid playing Liver-
pool!

Australia simply does
not have the resources
to operate such a gran-
diose domestic com-
petition as that currently
proposed by the
'brains' (?) of Aussie
Soccer. It has been
tried once, and failed,
mainly due to financial
reasons.

I suggest that the
National League should
consist of twenty (20)
"franchises" with two
divisions of ten each.
Each franchise should
be controlled by the
State Federations who
nominate the approved
Club(s). The Northern
Division franchises
should be allocated to
the Federations of
NSW(6), Qld(2), ACT(1),
and N.S.W.(1).

The Southern Division
franchises should be
allocated to the Federa-
tions of Vic.(6), SA(2),
with the remaining two
being offered between
Tas., WA, or if not
accepted, one extra
franchise each to Vic-
toria and SA.

Relegation should be
two from each division,
with the promoted
teams coming from the
within the relegated
team's Federation, and
optional for the winner
of the Federation Com-
petition. This would
mean that ALL major
Soccer centres would
be guaranteed partici-
pation in Soccer at
the highest level.

The National League
would comprise of an
eighteen(18) round com-
petition, with three(3)
points for a win. This
would make each point
earned just that much
more valuable, and
would lead to a bigger
possibility of a closer

race for the Divisional
Final. To determine the
champion Club of each
Division, the top four
Clubs of each Division
play off on a home and
away basis (six rounds).
The Divisional winners
play each other for the
National Championship,
again on a home and
away basis (two rounds).

NATIONAL CUP

A strict knock-out
competition on a Di-
visional basis until the
quarter-finals, then to
be sudden death be-
tween the remaining
eight(8) teams (four from
each Division).

PACIFIC CUP

If possible, a 'Euro-
pean Cup' style com-
petition, home and
away, between Clubs of
Pacific countries (in-
cluding USA perhaps?)

ETHNIC SOCCER

With so much whin-
ing recently about
'ethnic' Soccer stop-
ping the growth of the
sport in Australia, I offer
a different view.

Where else in the
world can one country
offer a virtual 'World
Cup' competition each
year?

Rather than try to
eradicate the 'National'
teams of Greece, Italy,
Yugoslavia, Holland,
Hungary, etc., it should
be the promoters job to
entice 'Australian'
supporters to teams
such as Blacktown,
Wollongong, New-
castle, Canberra, etc.
where they can cheer
for their own Region/
Country in a truly in-
ternational competition.
Let's face it, despite the
valiant efforts of the
Socceroos, the NSL is
the closest we have
come to the World Cup
since 1974!

As we know from
World Series cricket,
the average Aussie
supporter can be just as
nationalistic as the
Greek, Italian, Yugosla-
vian, etc. With the right
marketing approach, I
believe the National
League could benefit
greatly from the promo-
tion, rather than vic-
timisation of ethnic
Soccer.

There is only one
problem to this
approach of course.
And that is the fact that
currently ALL 'Austra-
lian' Clubs have just
been axed from the
National Competition!

But of course, that is
another story.

S. Bradbury,
Wangli Wangli 2267.



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LEADER

LES MURRAY, the well-known SBS-TV Soccer commentator, will be your tour leader for this special Soccer-holiday.

Les told us last night: "I am really looking forward to taking a 'squad of Australian Soccer fans' over with me to Tokyo next month to see this classic event".

He went on to say: "This special tour is the first of its kind ever attempted from Australia and it really is a big deal for the distant Australian fans to see such a World event."

"I personally have toured Japan before and I can assure you that the Land of The Rising Sun is a most impressive country to visit. The added chance of witnessing this Soccer championship makes this trip a classic tour."

Be there at Japan's 80,000 capacity Olympic Stadium to witness live, the battle between the very best team from Europe, Steaua Bucharest, fight for the Toyota Cup against the best from South America, River Plate.

River Plate, Argentina's world famous club, boasting no less than four World Cup winning players from Mexico, last week defeated America Cali of Columbia to earn the right

to challenge for the World Club Championship trophy, the Toyota Cup.

As well, River Plate has a huge central striker by the name of Toro Funes who the Romanians will find most difficult to harness.

The giant Argentinian, who is exceptionally quick and has tons of skills, hails from the region of San Luis and could cause a massive upheaval in Japan.

Steaua Bucharest last May defeated Barcelona on penalties to win the European Cup and thus gain entry to the Toyota Cup Final in Japan.

HISTORY
OF THIS
CUP FINAL

And since 1980 South American teams have always cleaned up the Cup at the expense of their European rivals. That is, until last year.

In 1985, Italy's mighty Juventus, took the Toyota Cup for the first time to Europe when they defeated Argentinos on penalties after the fulltime score was 3-all.

The old "Intercontinental Cup" historically was peppered with violence whilst being played over two legs on a home and away basis between European sides and their South American counterparts.

These violent eruptions led many European Cup winners to actually refuse to participate for the Inter-

continental Cup.

In 1980 the Intercontinental Cup's 26 year old format was scrapped and gave way to the Toyota Cup which has over the last six years always been played in neutral Tokyo.

The Toyota Cup has salvaged enormous prestige as all matches have been played with tremendous, clean spirit. Tokyo's geographical neutrality has enforced this wonderful situation.

TOUR
DETAILS

This wonderful Jal-tour presents Australian Soccer fans with possibly the chance of a lifetime to see a world Soccer classic as well as enjoy a most economical holiday in Japan.

The all-up cost of \$1,450 package, covers:

Return air fares to Japan, all transfers, twin-share accommodation, a sightseeing tour of Tokyo, tickets into the Olympic Stadium to see the Toyota Cup, plus breakfast each day.

Day 1. Depart Sydney for Tokyo by Japan Air Lines. On arrival be escorted to the Shiba Park Hotel.

Day 2. Tour of the City of Tokyo.

Day 3. Free day to wander around Tokyo, one of the world's largest cities, and go and see the famous Ginza with its gigantic department stores. For an extra \$95 one can spend a

whole day at "Tokyo's Disneyland".

Day 4. Sunday, the day of the Toyota Cup at Tokyo's Olympic Stadium.

Day 5-6. Two whole days at leisure around Tokyo.

Day 7: Last minute shopping as you prepare for return flight to Sydney.

Day 8. Your Toyota Cup tour has come to an end.

Time is running out and there are limited

seats available for the tour.

Already 16 Soccer fans have booked for this wonderful Soccer-holiday.

ASW readers are urged to act swiftly by making contact with Jal-tour. See adjacent advertisement for further details.

This year, SBS-TV will not be covering the Toyota Cup live.

Highlights will be screened on December 20 at 6pm.

that the course work gives the players a far greater understanding of what is expected of them.

Wayne Leary, coach of the Cardiff Tigers, is another who plans to introduce something similar to his club next season.

Dale Turner will be a great asset to Wayne Leary as he also completed the recent course and at twenty one, his influence could be well be accepted by the young Tigers.

GRADUATION

The October graduation saw the following forty men accept their well earned Level Two Certificates: Philip Durie, Gary Hellyer, Gary Sharp, Mladin Lazic, George Graham, David Stoker, William Rice, Norman MacDo-

nald, Rodney Haggarty, Neil Robinson, Neil Anderson, Roy Johnson, Dennis Cox, Robert Bone, Don Harrison, Brian Johns, Merv Duff, Ken Minster, Neil Jeffress, Neil Courtts, Daryl Frost, Chris Mogg, Peter Babic, Peter Bobbins, Phil Richards, David Roberts, Dean Wheldon, Stephen Lancaster, Peter Winson, Dale Turner, Bogdan Duma, Ken Field, David Bignell, Grant Harrison, Dave Vowles, Wayne Leary, Tony McKewin, Steven Green, Dick Wilkin and Ditta Jamadar.

NEXT SEASON

Flushed with the success of the October Level Two Course, Ken Kaiser and his colleagues plan to offer another course in February next year.

Already applicants are being accepted although the final arrangements will not be made until the Northern NSW coaches meeting listed for December 8.

In addition to this course to be held in Newcastle, there could be up to a dozen country courses convened, headed up by Ken Kaiser's excellent team.

The coaching scene is certainly shining brightly in Northern NSW.

ENTHUSIASM, ABOUNDS
IN KAISER'S COURSES

"FANTASTIC", "I've got a completely new outlook" "Why didn't we do this course when we were younger players?"

BY BILL TURNER

These were some of the comments from the forty successful candidates who completed the recently held Level Two Coaching Course at Newcastle's Myer Park.

Conducted by the Northern NSW Director of Coaching, Ken Kaiser and assisted by Paul Keogh, Les Bee, Keith Harris, Shane Tull and Bob Mountford, it was voted one of the most outstanding series ever held.

Ken Kaiser is not a man of much outward show or shirt-sleeve emotion but this course really had him bubbling over with enthusiasm.

The usual plan of the lecturer giving instructions and the students returing the facts on an examination paper was

certainly done in part.

However Ken and his aides established a plan of having the students not only accept the normal solutions but encouraged them to relate their own experiences under the same or similar conditions.

The plan worked and the candidates felt that they had been able to contribute to the success of the cause — which they certainly did.

Keith Harris, who holds a Level Three certificate and coaches the Northern NSW State First Division Premiers West Wallsend Bluebells, is planning to have all his charges do a coaches course of one kind or another early in 1987.

Keith was adamant



EDDIE THOMSON



ADRIAN ALSTON

GOLDEN OLDIES ATTRACTS
THE 1974 SOCCEROOS

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

THE GOLDEN OLDIES SOCCER festival set down for October 11th 1987 and to be staged at Queensland's glorious Gold Coast, has seen more than 1,000 players already being registered as entrants over the last two months.

The 1974 Soccerroos who went to the World Cup Finals in West Germany, have also been attracted to the Golden Oldies and they entered themselves last week for next October's Soccer Festival.

Adrian Alston, Johnny Warren, Atti Abonyi, Ray Richards and Ray Baartz, all saw members of the Golden Oldies Committee in Sydney two weeks ago and expressed their desire to enter the Festival.

Adrian Alston, one of Australia's best ever World Cup strikers, told ASW last night:

"What a magnificent chance this will be to play fun-Soccer against some of the best professionals from England."

"I personally am so enthusiastic about the whole scene up at Surfers Paradise next year that I will enter my own team from the NSW South Coast."

Alston of course was referring to the fact that Alex Stepney, Bobby Charlton, Dennis

Teuart, Jack Charlton, Mike Summerbee, Brian Kidd, Mick Channon, Jimmy Rimmer etc would be playing in the Golden Oldies next October.

Well-known Soccer identity now living up on the Gold Coast, Mr Barrie Roberts, a member of the Golden Oldies Organising Committee, told ASW last night from Queensland:

"The response over the last six weeks has been simply marvellous."

"We have been absolutely knocked over with entries from all over Australia. But we now find ourselves having to close our entry list in within the next six weeks."

Roberts, well known in Sydney when he looked after such big touring teams to Australia as England, Manchester United, Norwich City, Rangers, A.C. Milan etc over the last five years, has also been involved heavily in planning this Festival.

Another member of the organising committee, Mr Peter Williamson, leaves this week for England where he will sign up more stars and assist with English contingents entering next year's Golden Oldies.

Overseas sides already entered are coming from New Zealand (700 players), Yugoslavia, Finland, West Indies, Santa Barbara (California), Fiji, Papua New Guinea etc.

A major brewery will also be involved heavily with the promotion in Queensland whilst MITRE, the world

famous makers of Soccer balls and boots, have already signed up for their support.

SOCCER
PITCHES

The Carrara Sporting Complex, which contains six first class Soccer pitches, will be used for the Golden Oldies Soccer Festival.

To date, some 16 Australia sides have registered for the Festival following a recent promotional tour of Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth.

Back again in power yesterday, following last week-end's State elections, Queensland's Premier, Bjelke-Petersen, will support the Golden Oldies Festival as he pledged three months ago.

What better nostalgic vehicle could veteran players have than this Festival which will give everyone the opportunity to play against some world famous stars, meet and make new friends and generally play fun-Soccer for sheer enjoyment.

Eddie Thomson, the NSL's most successful coach, has expressed interest in the Festival and wants to enter a team of Scots now living in Australia.

Teams still wishing to enter must hurry.

They can contact Mr Barrie Roberts in Queensland on telephone 075 344466, or Mr Bill Erwin on 075 963033 or 075 552285 for further details.

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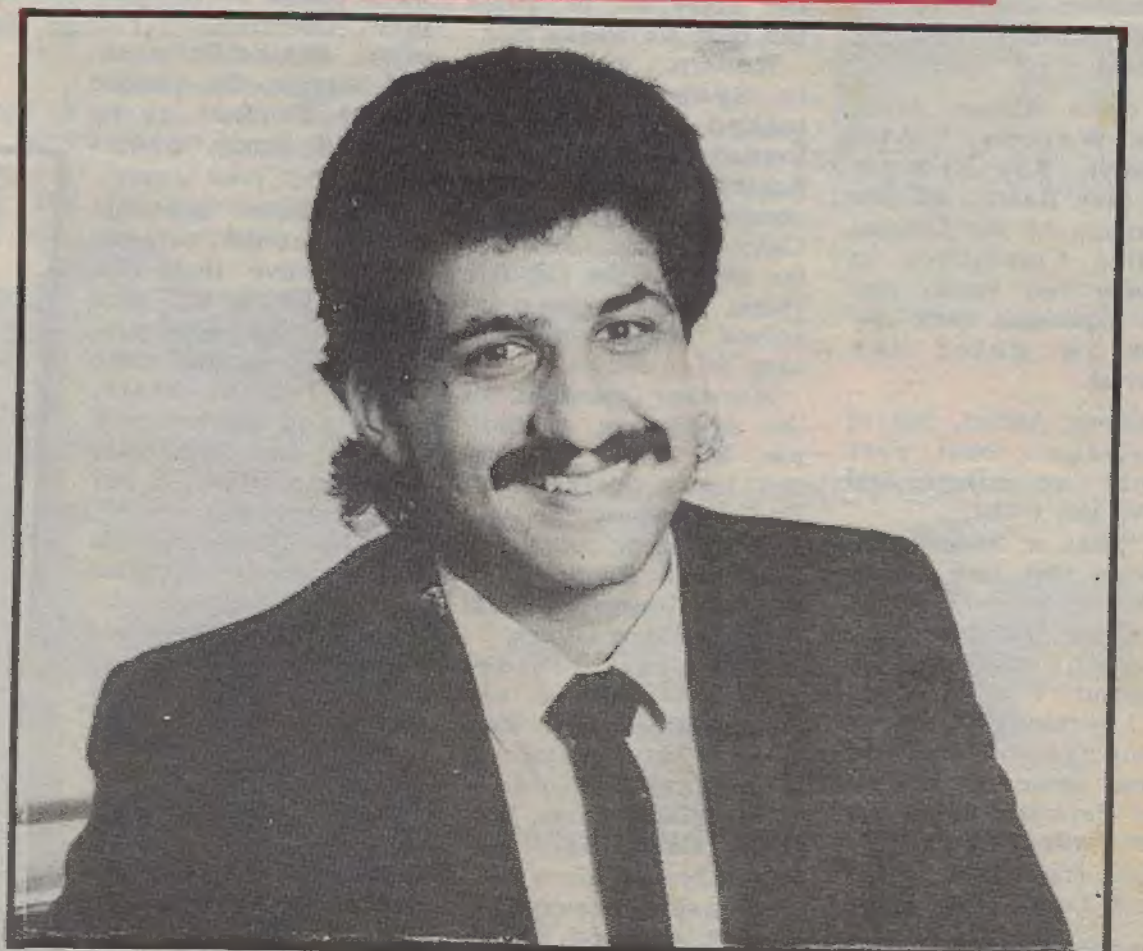
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